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**The Times Portfolio daily competition prize of £2,000 was won yesterday by Miss Gillian Teale of Winchester. Portfolio list, page 28; how to play, information service, back page Tomorrow, £22,000 can be won – £20,000 in the weekly competition and £2,000 in the daily.**

## Whitehall rebuffs Gorbachov

Mrs Thatcher has told Mr Gorbachov that Britain is not prepared to enter direct nuclear arms reduction talks with Moscow at this stage, but will consider discussing weapons levels in the broader context of improving East-West relations. It was her long-awaited reply to the Soviet leader's offer to hold talks on mutual reductions of nuclear weapons.

## Crash arrests

Two Sikhs living in Vancouver have been arrested in connection with the Air India crash off the Irish coast in June, Canadian sources say.

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## Parking tickets

Parking tickets go up from £10 to £12 in the new year and the fixed penalty system will be extended to many other motoring offences next October, Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, announced.

## Hamleys sale

Europe's biggest toy shop, Hamleys, based in Regent Street, is expected to be sold to the House of Fraser shortly. It is part of the Debenhams group bought by Burton Group this summer

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## FA Cup bid

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# Thatcher to freeze spending for 3 years

**By David Smith, Economics Correspondent**

The Cabinet yesterday agreed on a public spending target of £139 billion for next year, a small cut in real terms. It also decided to hold spending steady for the two years after that.

The Treasury's autumn statement, pinpointing spending by departments for the next three years, will be made on Tuesday.

The Cabinet meeting passed off smoothly. The Treasury had earlier struck deals with the major departments. Ministers praised Mr John MacGregor, who became Chief Secretary to the Treasury in the September reshuffle, for his handling of his first public spending round.

Lord Whitelaw's "star chamber" appears to have succeeded in settling most of the differences, although this year's round was helped by the Treasury's room for manoeuvre with a large reserve and extra privatization receipts ahead.

Treasury ministers are, however, anxious to counter criticism that they have secured agreement on next year's spending only by major concessions.

The reserve, originally set at £6 billion, has been reduced to about £4 billion. This, it is argued, was always anticipated – a larger reserve had been set by Budget time to meet the effects of the social security uprating.

Pensions and other benefits will be uprated this month, mainly in line with the 7 per cent inflation rate of last May. The full-year effects of this will come through in 1986-87 spending.

Next year's public spending target of £139 billion compares with an expected total of £134.2 billion for this year. The increase – just over 3.5 per cent – implies a cut in spending in real terms.

Individual departments have been given a warning that, while next year's spending has taken into account the surge in inflation last spring, cost pressures will have to be tightly controlled in future years.

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence has been told that, far from being guaranteed automatic indexation of his budget, failure by him to control costs and push through efficiency savings will mean real cuts.

The autumn statement will include projections for sales of assets, which are expected to average £5 billion a year between now and the next election.

National insurance changes will also be announced. The lower earnings limit is likely to be raised from £35.50 to £37.50 in April, and the upper earnings limit for employees from £265 to £280.

The Treasury supplement is expected to be cut from 9 per cent of gross national insurance contributions to 7 per cent.

● The Institute of Directors yesterday called on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to relax his public sector borrowing requirement targets and to cut taxes by £4 billion in the next Budget.

The Bruce Sutherland, chairman of the institute's taxation committee, wrote to Mr Lawson that businessmen were "adamant that taxes must be cut and that next year the emphasis should be on personal and capital taxes."

Mr Sutherland said: "We welcome recent indications that a higher PSBR than presently planned might be sustainable indefinitely without starting a debt spiral."

Britain's tax burden as a proportion of gross domestic product had risen from 32 per cent in 1979 to more than 38 per cent last year.

The Sutherland's letter said: "We see no reason at this stage why you should not be looking to reduce taxes by at least £4 billion in the next full year."

# Catch-all Bill to ban councils' propaganda

**By Colin Hughes**

A local government Bill aimed at banning party political propaganda on the rates was published by the Government yesterday.

The proposed legislation, which the Government wants to be enacted quickly will also make it illegal for local councils to go beyond April 1 each year without setting a rate.

Labour councils immediately condemned the Bill as "totalitarian and oppressive", and even Conservative councillors voiced concern.

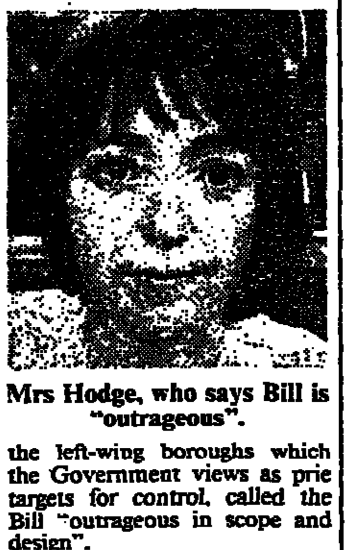
The Bill goes considerably further than expected in apparently closing all the expected loopholes on use of ratepayer's money to publicize political causes.

It bans local authorities from publishing any material which in whole or part appears designed to affect, or can be assumed to affect, public support for a political party.

It includes any material which affects any "body, cause or campaign" which can be identifie with a political party.

The Secretary of State for the Environment will also gain powers to issue codes of conduct governing the content, style and distribution of council's publicity material, and olcal auhorities will have to keep separate accounts of their publicity spending, which must be open to inspection.

The Department of Environment said the Bill was intended to carry oube recommendations of an interim report by the Widdicombe Inquiry, published in August.



Mrs Hodge, who says Bill is "outrageous".

Mr Margaret Hodge, who chairs the Labour-controlled Association of London Authorities, representing several of the left-wing boroughs which the Government views as prie targets for control, called the Bill "outrageous in scope and design".

She said it went far further than the Widdicombe recommendations, and would leave councils and voluntary groups "bound and gagged". If passed, she claimed, the law would make Mr Kenneth Baker the Secretary of State, "the public relations director of hundreds of local councils, deciding on the cost, content and colour of their publicity material".

Mr Jack Layden, chairman of the Labour-controlled Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said the Bill would provide a lawyer's paradise.

Mrs Mary Leigh, leader of Conservative councillors in Lambeth and a solicitor who has doubted whether sufficiently stringent legislation could be drafted, said: "At first blush it seems effective enough to achieve the object, which is good. However, it might cover rather more than is intended, which could lead to extensive and expensive litigation."

An umbrella for Mr Gorbachov's daughter Irina and her daughter Oksana at Moscow's Red Square parade. Back page.

# CIA denies 'defection' endangered US secrets

**From Christopher Thomas Washington**

**The Central Intelligence Agency has told the White House that no valuable state secrets have been lost to the Soviet Union as a result of the bizarre "defection" to the US of Mr Vitaly Yurchenko, supposedly a top KGB man who arrived back in Moscow yesterday.**

**There are growing suspicions on Capitol Hill that the defection may have been a set-up by the Soviet Union from beginning to end. The CIA was duped or whether it bungled a genuine defection.**

**Mr William Casey, director of the CIA, was reported to have told the White House that Mr Yurchenko's *return* to the Soviet Union is a public embarrassment but does not represent a senior intelligence failure for the United States.**

**Mr Yurchenko may have had an affair with the wife of a Russian diplomat now based in Canada. According to ABC News, Mr Yurchenko decided to leave American custody after the woman ended the affair. Canadian police and Government officials said they had no reason to believe an ABC report on Tuesday night that the wife of a Soviet trade representative who threw herself to death from a building in Toronto earlier in the day was Mr Yurchenko's former lover.**

**Mr Yurchenko casually abandoned a CIA man last Saturday at a restaurant in the fashionable Georgetown section of Washington. He headed directly for the Russian Embassy near by. According to intelligence sources, he told his CIA companion: "What would you do if I got up and walked out? Would you shoot me?"**

**The CIA officer said: "No, we don't treat defectors that way."**

**Mr Yurchenko then replied "I'll be back in 15 or 20 minutes. If I'm not, it's not your fault. He disappeared *into the* crowded *street* while the CIA agent was left to pay the bill.**

**According to CIA briefings on Capitol Hill Mr Yurchenko *was a prized defector.* But President Reagan said he had proved to be of little value. He questioned whether the Yurchenko affair, together with two other incidents involving Soviet bloc citizens, was a deliberate attempt to disrupt his summit meeting with Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader.**

**A Federal district judge in New Orleans has rejected a request for a temporary order to keep a Ukrainian seaman, Miroslav Medvid, in the United States. He twice jumped into the Mississippi from a Soviet ship but apparently now wants to go home.**

**Congressional moves are under way to seek confirmation from him that he does not want to stay.**

Photograph, page 7

# Barristers may seek to deal direct with their clients

**By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent**

*Radical changes to the Bar's* code of conduct which could end the present boundaries that by consent divide the two branches of the legal profession are being considered by committees of the Bar Council.

It has been proposed that barristers should be able in certain cases to deal direct with clients without using a solicitor, and also that they should have some freedom to advertise their services, as solicitors now do.

By convention dating back about 100 years the two branches of the profession abide by two self-imposed restrictive practices: solicitors only deal with clients and barristers must always go through a solicitor, and barristers have a monopoly of rights of advocacy in the higher courts.

The move coincides with a recently-renewed campaign by the Law Society, to relax the Bar's grip on rights of audience in the higher courts and is bound to be seen by some as a "tit for tat" response.

In the wake of a test court case to challenge the Bar's monopoly, which the Law Society is backing, the Lord Chancellor has launched a consultation exercise on how solicitors might be granted the right to appear in "formal and unopposed" High Court matters, such as reading out agreed settlements.

What the Bar is now considering is that in such cases barristers should have a right to do the work without the need to have a solicitor in attendance.

Mr Robert Alexander, QC, chairman of the Bar, said: "There are often cases where solicitors, for formal unopposed matters, would prefer to brief counsel; the country solicitor or busy City solicitor may not wish to come to the court himself for a piece of formal business".

If a young barrister was available and nearer to court, it might make more sense to free the solicitor's services, he said.

The Bar says it supports granting solicitors rights of audience in formal and unopposed High Court matters where that is in the public interest, and has set up a committee to look at what cases might be covered.

It contends that the Law Society, however, is laying claim to far wider rights of audience than ever envisaged by the Royal Commission on Legal Services, which urged some relaxation of the restrictive practice rules but concluded the two-branch pro-

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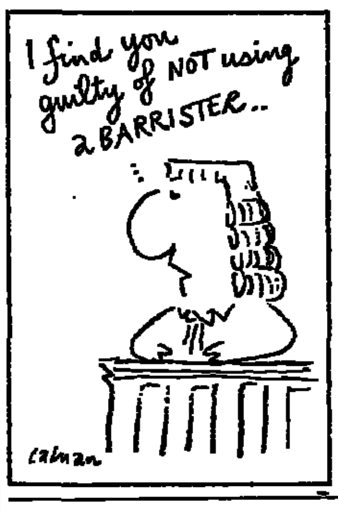

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# Guerrillas in Bogotá siege kill top judge

**From Geoffrey Matthews Bogotá**

**As a pitched battle raged in the Palace of Justice in Bogotá guerrillas of the M19 movement were reported to have killed the president of the Supreme Court, Dr Alfonso Reyes Echandia, whom they had been holding hostage.**

**Three guerrillas were captured in the fighting, including one of M19's senior commanders, Senor Andrés Almarales, but resistance continued, led by señor Luis Otero, the commander of the operation.**

**There were also reports that 25 hostages had been freed, but 45 remained in the hands of the guerrillas.**

**President Belisario Betancut in a broadcast offered the guerrillas a fair trial in civilian courts and guaranteed their lives if they surrendered but refused any negotiations.**

**At least 22 people were killed during 10 hours of intense fighting after an initial assault on the Justice Ministry building (M19) at midday on Wednesday.**

**The guerrillas had managed to occupy about half of the third floor of the building where they had 10 of the nation's top jurists and about 60 other people hostage.**

**In scenes reminiscent of the 1973 military coup which toppled Salvador Allende in Chile, troops and tanks sur*rounded the building as public* employees fled in panic.**

**For a while last night part of the Justice Building was ablaze**

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# £½m for jailed drug firm informer

The European commission was yesterday ordered to pay damages which could total £500,000 for breaking a bond of confidentiality with Mr Stanley Adams, who exposed illegal trading activities of the giant Hoffman-La Roche Swiss drug company.

European Court of Justice judges in Luxembourg ruled that the Commission let down its informer by disclosing his identity during investigations into the case, a move which Mr Adams claims cost him 10 years of personal tragedy, including his wife's suicide.

The judges gave nine months for an agrement to be reached on the exact level of damages.

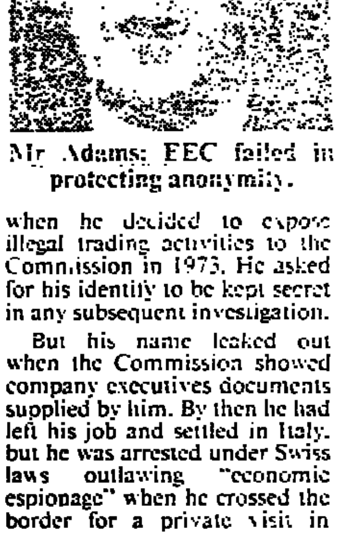
The Commission will pay only half the damages sought by Mr Adams because, the judges said, he was also partly to blame for the fact that his name leaked out.

Mr Adams, who now lives in Thames Ditton, Surrey, hailed the outcome as "a victory for the little man".

He said outside the court: "I have been vindicated . . . I hope this will encourage other people to expose corruption among big companies, because that was the aim of my case.

"I do not regret one single moment of what I did – except of course for the death of my wife. No amount of money, nothing, can compensate for that."

Mr Adams was a £32,000-a-year executive at Hoffman-La Roche headquarters in Basle



Mr Adams: EEC failed in protecting anonymity.

when he decided to expose illegal trading activities to the Commission in 1973. He asked for his identity to be kept secret in any subsequent investigation.

But his name leaked out when the Commission showed company executives documents supplied by him. By then he had left his job and settled in Italy, but he was arrested under Swiss laws outlawing "economic espionage" when he crossed the border for a private visit in December 1974.

It was then, Mr Adams told the court, that his nightmare *began. He was jailed, his wife* committed suicide, and subsequent Italian business ventures failed.

During the case, the Commission claimed it was under

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# Tennis council declares 'war' on the agents

**By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent**

Mark McCormack and Donald Dell, who run the best-known management agencies in professional tennis, have been charged with "holding the game hostage", "illegal restraint of trade" and "conspiracy to monopolize."

The allegations are made in a lawsuit filed in New York by the Men's International Professional Tennis Council, who run the Grand Prix circuit.

The action is a counter-claim. McCormack and Dell, through their respective companies, International Management Group and ProServ, and Volvo, previous sponsors of the Grand Prix, have already filed a suit against MIPTC, who they claim are monopolizing the men's game.

Mike Davies, the MIPTC chairman, said yesterday "This suit says very plainly that the council has gone to war with the *agents. Their conflicts* and entanglements now threaten our sport to the extent that we feel the agents must choose whether they will represent players or tournaments. They can't do both."

The MIPTC want a court order enjoining the player-agents from owning or holding any financial interest in any Grand Prix event as long as they continue to represent any male professional tennis players. They also want a court order preventing Volvo from continuing to advertise and promote "its illegal and misleading programme of Volvo Tennis".

The counter-claim includes allegations that IMG and ProServ offer financial guarantees and "wild card" spots to induce promising young players to sign contracts with them and offer financial benefits to enlist the support of coaches.

It is also alleged that the agents press their clients to take part in tournaments in which IMG or ProServ have a special interest and – by promising that *their clients will play – coerce* tournament organizers to give the agents a role or a financial interest in tournaments.

# Time catches up with Greenwich

**By Pearce Wright, Science Editor**

The demise of Greenwich Mean Time is imminent; an unplanned consequence of cuts in spending on scientific research. Almost 100 years to the day that GMT was adopted legally, setting the standard time at which law courts throughout England should sit, the clocks at the Royal Greenwich Observatory will stop.

GMT has become a victim of technology. The more traditional timepieces that provided the basis for standard time throughout the world were replaced in 1966 by six automatic clocks.

Unfortunately atomic clocks are expensive to maintain. The central part of the plain black boxes, which replaced the ornate cases of earlier chronometers, comprises a vacuum tube containing molecules of caesium. By the end of the year the tubes will have worn out. *Their replacement will* cost £20,000 each.

The observatory, which since 1954 has been in the middle of the Pevensey Marshes at Herstmonceux Castle, in Sussex, is part of the Science and Engineering Research Council. Since the council decided to concentrate the money spent by Greenwich on new telescopes at La Palma, in the Canaries, there is not enough left for things like replacing the caesium clocks.

Indeed, the future of the Herstmonceux Castle site itself will be the subject of a report later this year. It might be sold and the activities absorbed into universities already linked by computer to La Palma.

Atomic clocks, with accuracies better than one-millionth of a second, now provide a standard reference for a much wider range of disciplines than astronomy, and it is felt that other agencies can shoulder the service.

Dr John Pilkington, head of the Time Division at the observatory, said: "It is a bit anachronistic for the observatory to be responsible for the service which has become a part of metrology". The international time standard, Coordinated Universal Time, had *become the responsibility of the* International Bureau of Weights and Measures, he said.

Timekeeping began more than 300 years ago, at the original site at Greenwhich Park, overlooking the Thames, providing a standard for sailors to set their clocks to before going to sea.

# Budd beaten by athletes on lower pay

**By Our Sports Staff**

Two women who beat Zola Budd in a 3,000 metres race at Crystal Palace on July 20 earned only £2,000 between them compared with the £90,000 paid to the South African born British runner. *Cornelia Burki*, of Switzerland, and Ingrid Kristiansen, the Norwegian holder of the world marathon best, finished second and third respectively while Miss Budd was fourth.

Mary Slaney, who won the race, received £54,000 in participation money.

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# Jury challenge system to be investigated by government agency

**By Philip Webster, Political Reporter**

The Government is to set up an inquiry into the alleged abuse of the right of defendants in criminal trials to challenge the membership of juries without giving reasons.

Sir Michael Havers, the Attorney General, is asking the new Crown Prosecution Service to carry out a survey of cases where the right of "peremptory challenge" may have been misused, and to recommend whether legislation is needed to change it.

The move, announced by Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, on the second day of the Commons debate on the Queen's Speech, comes after complaints by MPs that defence counsel have been using the system to continue challenging and removing jurors until they have obtained a jury to their liking.

In the Cyprus secrets case which ended in acquittals for all defendants last month the jury was subject to 12 challenges. There were reports that the average age of the final jury was 24.

In crown courts each defendant can challenge three jurors without giving a reason. If there are eight defendants there can, in theory, be 24 challenges.

Mr Hurd held discussions with Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Solicitor General, after Mr Toby Jessel, the Conservative MP for Twickenham, raised the issue in the Commons on Wednesday night, quoting a leading article in *The Times* last June urging abolition of the right to peremptory challenge.

Mr Jessel said that the abuse of the system meant that trial by jury in criminal courts was being disrupted so that there were far too many acquittals. "What is now going on makes a mockery of the concept of fair trial in a crown court. Juries are supposed to be selected at random. Historically, the right to peremptory challenge exists to remove bias.

"It now does the opposite, as it is used to introduce bias – a bias towards acquittal. It is therefore a distortion of the legal process."

Mr Hurd told Mr Jessel yesterday that the law officers found they did not, at present, have sufficient information to act, but were seeking fuller information. The prosecution service starts operation in the former metropolitan county areas next spring and the rest of Engind and Wales next October.

The Home Office is understood to be keen for action, after many complaints by the police about what they consider to be abuses, although it is clear that the Government's law officers have yet to be convinced. Mr Jessel said last night that he welcomed the decision to investigate. Action should be taken this session of Parliament because juries were being distorted deliberately and systematically by defence counsel, he said.

● The Roskill Committee on fraud trials has been looking at the case of the peremptory challenge and has canvassed the idea, when taking oral evidence, of abolishing it altogether, if challenge giving a reason is extended (Frances Gibb writes).

There has long been debate on whether the defence right of challenge is abused and used to "pack" juries, and in 1977 the number of challenges that the defence could make was reduced from seven to three.

*Mr Michael Hill, QC, chairman of the Criminal Bar Association, said yesterday:* "Views are divided as to whether we should get rid of the peremptory challenge or not. My personal view, however, is that there are a lot of misconceptions about what happens.

"If the Crown is dissatisfied, they can always 'stand a juror by', and I think in the end there is a strong argument that the defendant is entitled to say: 'I don't like the look of 'X' so I don't want him'."

# Inquiry opens into Cyprus spy trial evidence

**By Our Crime Reporter**

David Calcutt, QC, the former chairman of the Bar appointed to look at the methods of interrogation used by services police on the men acquitted in the Cyprus spy trial, is to hold a preliminary meeting in public next Tuesday.

Yesterday the terms of reference for the inquiry were announced by the office of the Treasury Solicitors. Mr Calcutt will look at the investigations carried out both by RAF Provost and Security Service officers and Army Special Investigation Branch staff on the eight who stood trial.

The terms of reference, Mr Calcutt says, are to determine whether the investigations by the military police into breaches of the Official Secrets Act were "in accordance with lawful and proper procedures". He is to report as soon as possible and to include any recommendations on future procedure.

The inquiry was announced after claims that the accused men, six from the RAF and two from the Army, had been subjected to pressure which left them prepared to admit not the truth but what they thought their investigators wanted.

The inquiry will consider applications from those wanting to give evidence and those who want to be represented.

# Kinnock asks for Militant evidence

**By Our Political Correspondent**

Mr Neil Kinnock said last night that there was no evidence that Liverpool's leading local politicians, such as Mr Derek Hatton and Mr Tony Mulhearn, were members of the Trotskyist organization Militant Tendency, and he challenged *The Times* to provide the proof under which they could be expelled from the party.

He told journalists at Westminster: "Where we can prove their membership of an organization, they can easily be put out and that has been happening and that will continue".

But when *The Times* said that Mr Hatton, deputy leader of Liverpool council, had attended Militant meetings and rallies' the Labour leader said: "If you would put your considerable talents and those of your newspaper at the disposal of the Labour Party in order to provide us with satisfactory proof of individuals' membership of an organization, then we will consider that evidence and take action upon it."

He said: "They profess that they only support the newspaper and are not members of the organization. That must be proved."

Mr Kinnock also said he would make no intervention to help Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, the embattled MP for Knowsley, North, in his campaign against a Militant takeover of his constituency party.

Asked what he would do if Mr Kilroy-Silk was de-selected through Militant pressure, forcing a by-election, Mr Kinnock repeated: "He is well capable of looking after himself".

**With due pomp and ceremony, the Queen held an investiture at Buckingham Palace yesterday.**

**Above, Sir Allan Davies, Lord Mayor-elect of the City of London, with his wife, Lady Pamela Davis, after being invested as a Knight Grand Cross.**

**Right, Sir Patrick Lowry, chairman of the arbitration service, ACAS, after the presentation of his knighthood.**

**Sir Patrick, who joined ACAS four years ago, paid tribute to pay bargaining methods which he said had improved.**

**Mr Mark Tully, aged 50, the BBC's India correspondent for 17 years, received an OBE. However the novelist Catherine Cookson was unable to receive her OBE because she was at home with back trouble.**

# Teachers' unions unite for lobby of Parliament

**By Our Education Correspondent**

As 3,000 teachers lobbied Parliament yesterday, the National Union of Teachers (NUT) made it clear it might not call off its industrial action if the smaller teachers' unions settled the nine-month-old dispute.

Yesterday's lobby, organized by the NUT and the Educational Institute of Scotland, was the first time teachers from throughout Britain had joined forces in the current dispute.

On Monday, the newly reconstituted teachers' panel of the Burnham Committee is to meet, with the NUT's majority removed. It is expected to try to reopen negotiations on the employers' last offer of 6.9 per cent, staged so that the profession received 7.5 per cent by the end of next March.

In a clear reference to that, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said teachers owed it to their pupils and parents to return to the negotiating table.

But Mr Fred Jarvis, general secretary of the NUT, said a settlement which gave teachers 8 per cent by the end of March would not do. "I think that there will be a mood among our members in the staff rooms that they have been sold out."

The union would ask its members what they thought of such a deal and whether or not they wanted to continue the strikes and work-to-rule, he said.

The union;s stance was attacked by Mr Nigel de Gruchy, deputy general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, who said that NUT lacked commonsense and that it was now time to settle. Teachers could be getting into a "Scargill syndrome", he said.

The NAS/UWT may face serious problems with some of its more militant members who want to carry on the action. That is why it has decided to ballot on a settlement.

● Bradford's director of education yesterday spoke of the dangers to staff and children caught up in the continuing controversy surrounding Mr Ray Honeyford (Peter Davenport writes).

A report into the situation at Drummond Middle School was issued by Mr Richard Knight on the day parents opposed to the headmaster reimposed a boycott of classes by their youngsters. Only 242 of the 505 children on the register, 95 per cent from the ethnic communities, turned in yesterday. There was a school gate demonstration by about 150 protesters.

The boycott was introduced by a parents' action group when Mr Honeyford was reinstated in September after a High Court ruling quashing his suspension from publishing a series of articles critical of multi-racial education policies in the city. Since then attendances at the school have been badly affected and there have been frequent demonstrations at the school gates which pupils intending to go into class have had to endure.

Yesterday Mr Knight said that the unsettled atmosphere in the school meant the children's education had suffered considerably. The cumulative effect of the stress was now affecting staff. There had been "damaging effects" within the school.

# Labour faces drive for left-wing power

**By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent**

A fundamental reorganization of Labour's pro-Kinnock left is being launched by a group that includes members of the Shadow Cabinet, trade union leaders, Tribune Group members and council leaders.

The move is being described as an attempt to bolster Mr Neil Kinnock's strength against the right in the Shadow Cabinet and the parliamentary party – and as a bid to isolate and reduce the influence of the hard-left Campaign Group with rank-and-file activists in the constituencies.

But confidential notes obtained by *The Times* will upset a significant section of the "old guard" Tribune left at Westminster, because they have been excluded from launch talks which include a proposed "reform" of the Tribune Group.

The leading figures behind the drive for left-wing power are Mr Robin Cook, the Labour leader's closest ally in the right-dominated Shadow Cabinet; Mr John Prescott, the party's employment spokesman; Mr Tom Sawyer, of the National Union of Public Employees and Mr David Blunkett, leader of Sheffield Council, both members of Labour's national executive; Mr Ken Livingstone, leader of the Greater London Council; and Mr Chris Smith, MP for Islington South and Finsbury and the secretary of the Tribune Group, who is coordinating the new examination of the left's role.

Mr Smith says in a recent letter to the tight-knit group that there is a "need for the non-sectarian left in the party to discuss and agree on a strategy for the immediate future.

"There's a 'political space' that lies between Neil Kinnock and the hard left – but it's unorganized, it lacks direction, it hasn't any coherent definition, and it has precious little influence on Neil."

It is understood that informal talks will take place at a Croydon party tomorrow night, to be attended by other union leaders, and a formal meeting will be held in London on Monday night after the regular weekly meeting of the Tribune Group at the House of Commons.

Notes for Monday night's meeting say that the left must seize the initiative: doing practical work to create "a left perspective in incomes policy – counteracting Labour's "traditionally weak" stance on law and order, and overcoming the party's "timidity" on the reform of the welfare state and social security systems. "How can we force the left to talk about the real issues, not those dictated by the right or the ultra-left?"

# Notts miners expected to settle

**By Donald Macintyre, Labour Editor**

Nottinghamshire miners' leaders were optimistic last night that their 27,000 members would return a majority vote in favour of accepting a pay offer of six to seven per cent made in separate negotiations from those with the National Union of Mineworkers. A ballot on the offer began last night and the results are expected over the weekend.

Mr Arthur Scargill, the NUM president, insisted yesterday that Wednesday's meeting between the NUM executive and the TUC's finance and general purposes committee had been "extremely constructive". He said that in contrast to reports of the events the TUC had emphasized four main points in the discussions, the first between the TUC and the full NUM executive since February.

Those points were: that the TUC would not recognize any breakaway union; that it would work out with the NUM an effective campaign emphasizing the position of dismissed miners; the NUM would submit to the TUC's fuel and power committee a document outlining the union's case for the future of the coal industry; and that the TUC and the NUM would meet regularly to discuss how best to implement those points.

The full NUM executive were not given copies of the 56-paragraph document produced for the TUC's inner cabinet before yesterday's meeting; but the document was broadly endorsed by the TUC leaders before the meeting took place.

The document contained the strongest criticisms yet made by the TUC of some of the basic assumptions made by the NUM during and since the strike and gave a stark warning that the new Union of Democratic Mineworkers was solidly based in Nottinghamshire with a potential for expansion, particularly in the most productive pits.

● The National Coal Board has been ordered to reinstate Mr Colin Ward, the miners' strike leader who was jailed and lost his job after violence erupted between striking miners and police, during the pit dispute. A Birmingham industrial tribunal yesterday called on the NCB to reinstate Mr Ward to bring peace to the industry.

# Tour firm to balance the sexes

Thomson Holidays yesterday announced a computerized booking control scheme aimed at those in their twenties which will ensure a rough balance between the sexes at holiday hotels.

Its Freestyle holidays were first introduced this season to appeal largely to the age group exploited by Club 18-30, art of International Leisure Group which includes Intasun.

But Freestyle strives to be different. Mr Charles Newbold, deputy managing director of Thomson Holidays, said: "The youth market is plagued by a reputation of rowdiness and bad behaviour. Freestyle accommodation is better, our representatives are better trained and we actively discourage large group bookings."

Prices on average were down 10 per cent, but there were reductions of up to a third compared with this year, Thomson claimed.

Prices started at £85 for a week's self-catering holiday in Ibiza. There was a no-surcharge guarantee and, with 20,000 Freestyle holidays sold this year, next summer's programme was being increased to 30,000.

# Steel job cuts

Three hundred workers are to be made redundant in the Scottish Tubes division, of the British Steel Corporation it was announced yesterday. A total of 211 workers are to lose their jobs at the Clydesdale works in bellshill and 89 at the Imperial works in Airdrie.

# Camisa

Focus on Italy (October 30) mentioned "the Camisa brothers". We are asked to make it clear that there are two pasta businesses in the West End – Fratelli Camisa of Berwick Street, who started in 1933, and I Camisa & Son of Old Compton Street, who started around 1967 – which are quite unconnected.

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The Times overseas selling prices

Austria Sch 29: Belgium B frs 50: Canada $2.75: Canaries Pes 170: Cyprus 70 cents: Denmark Dkr 9.00: Finland Mkk 9.00: France Frs 8.00: Germany DM 3.50: Gibraltar 60p: Greece Dr 150: Holland Gl 3.60: Irish Republic 40p: Italy L 2800: Luxembourg Lf 45: Madeira Esc 170: Malta 35c: Morocco Dir 10.00: Norway Kr 9.00: Pakistan Rps 18: Portugal Esc 170: Singapore $5.50: Spain Pes 170: Sweden Skr 9.00: Switzerland S Frs 3.00: Tunisia Din 80.00: USA $1.75: Yugoslavia Din 350

# Grain store keepers to be named

**By Richard Evans**
**Lobby Reporter**

**The Commons agriculture select committee yesterday agreed to use its wideranging parliamentary powers to demand from the Government the identitiy of many of the storekeepers of Britain's bulging £700 million grain mountain.**

**Their names and addresses have been kept secret by ministers until now, but MPs are insisting that Mr Michael Jopling, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, is more forthcoming after allegations that "cowboys" have moved into the highly profitable business of storing the vast grain surpluses.**

**The grain mountain is expected to reach a record seven million tonnes by next summer, according to figures provided to the committee by the Intervention Board. Most of the wheat and barley is stored privately with storekeepers being paid an average of £13 per ton a year, MPs were told.**

**Mr Richard Body, Conservative MP for Holland with Boston, told the Intervention Board that "massive" sums of money were being paid out to store the grain.**

**The select committee agreed to a demand from Mr Body for a list of storekeepers who held on to grain for more than a year, the quantities involved, and how much they had been paid.**

**Mr Body said later that he was concerned by allegations that "cowboys" were using old, disused factories unsuitable for storing grain**

# New plea on widows' pensions

**By Our Political Correspondent**

The Prime Minister was urged yesterday not to forget the "forgotten war widows" and to improve their standard of living by restoring expenditure on their pensions to the level it was when she took office in 1979.

In a fresh campaign to increase war widows' pensions, timed to coincide with the pilgrimage of widows and veterans of the "Forgotten Army" to the battlefields and graves of the Far East, Mrs Thatcher was sent the plea of a widow of a soldier killed with the 14th Army in Burma in 1944 describing present provisions for the widows of both the First and Second World Wars as "an insult".

The Far East pilgrims, who left Britain on Tuesday, are travelling as guests of the Government

Spending on war widows' pensions has fallen in real terms year by year as more of them have died. At current prices some £209 million spent in 1978-79 had fallen to £184 million by 1984-85, despite increases in the rates

Mr Alfred Morris, Labour MP for Manchester Wythenshawe and a front-bench spokesman on the disabled, told the Prime Minister in a letter yesterday that it was a time for generosity. "There is a strong and widespread resentment among war widows who write to me as they compare their lot with that of younger widows of more recent conflicts and also with that of the widows of those who died in the service of the countries we fought against."

River Kwai letter, back page

# TUC talks on Mirror

The TUC print industries' committee has been called to an emergency meeting in London today to discuss the continuing crisis at Mirror Group Newspapers over the threat by Mr Robert Maxwell to make a third of his 6,000 staff voluntarily redundant.

The latest development came as officials of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers and the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union met the company for talks which management were last night expecting to lead to negotiations with the two unions

More than 400 National Graphical Association members at Thomson Withy Grove in Manchester have voted by ten to one in favour of industrial action to defend redundancy payments they were due to receive in the abortive deal under which MGN was to have bought the plant.

# CID chief to coordinate hunt for attacker

**By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter**

A senior London detective was yesterday placed in command of Operation Joiner, the three-force investigation into the murder of a protitute, an abduction on the M4 motorway and rapes in south London, Surrey and Wiltshire.

Commander Algernon Hemmingway, head of CID in London's East End, disclosed fresh details of the man the police suspect could be linked to all incidents, and appealed for help from the public.

Commander Hemmingway said the man is believed to have access to late model "up-market vehicles, especially a white Audi" and perhaps also a dark MG Maestro.

He is described as aged in his mid-twenties, with collar-length fair hair. He is of medium and athletic build, and has worn a light or dark leather jacket, a roll-neck pullover, jeans and trainers. In two cases handcuffs were used.

Commander Hemmingway, in charge of hunt

Commander Hemmingway, aged 48, is a former fraud squad detective and head of the Yard's central drugs and illegal immigration intelligence unit. He will work from a central headquarters in Croydon, coordinating teams of detectives in Surrey and Wiltshire.

# Pirate radio ship mutiny denial

**By Michael Horsnell**

**The captain of the seized pop pirate ship, from which the illegal Radio Laser broadcast for the past 18 months, yesterday denied claims of a mutiny over conditions on board which led to dysentery and scurvy.**

**Captain Patrick Paternoster was speaking from the rusting 31-year-old MV Communicator which was escorted into Harwich harbour yesterday by a Department of Trade ship, after suffering an electrical breakdown.**

**Captain Paternoster, from Ipswich, said: "There was no mutiny, no shortage of food or water and no one had scurvy. The only reason we came back was because the main generator failed and we could not repair it at sea.**

**"Morale on board is very high and we all want to go back to sea as soon as we can and start broadcasting again."**

**His denial, shouted from the side of the ship, came after claimed by a former crew member that the Department of Trade blocked stopped food, water and other supplies**

**Yesterday police continued to question the seven Americans and four Britons on board the ship at Everton Anchorage on the Stour at Harwich.**

**The Britons face possible charges under the Marine Broadcasting (Offences) Act 1967 which carry penalties of unlimited fines and up to two years in prison. The Americans face possible deportation.**

# MP to query role of Observer directors

Mr Neil Hamilton, Conservative MP for Tatton, is to ask the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry Mr Leon Brittan, whether he is satisfied that the independent directors appointed to the board of *The Observer* when the newspaper was acquired by Lonrho in 1981 "can effectively exercise the role ascribed to them" by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

In another Commons question, also down for Monday, Mr Hamilton inquires whether the Secretary of State is satisfied that all the conditions recommended by the commission as part of the sale "are being met in full".

The questions are prompted by *The Observer's* protracted campaign against the Al-Fayed brothers, who earlier this year acquired the House of Fraser group, which includes Harrods, for £615 million and aroused the bitter antagonism of Mr Roland (Tiny) Rowland, Lonrho's chief executive.

Mr Mohamed Al-Fayed said yesterday that Mr Rowland "has abused his position as executive owner of *The Observer* to make false and unsubstantiated allegations which are without foundation".

Mr Brittan yesterday released a letter to Sir Edward du Cann, Conservative MP for Taunton and chairman of Lonrho, stating that Lonrho assertions linking the Sultan of Brunei with the purchase of Fraser/Harrods are not "well-founded".

The Office of Fair Trading "is making no further inquiries" and "the possibility of a reference is not under consideration".

Kenneth Fleet, page 23
Brittan letter, page 27

# Agriculture Bill 'will aid environment protection'

**By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent**

The Government will be empowered to designate "environmentally sensitive areas" and within them enter into financial agreements with farmers to avoid damage to the natural beauty, wildlife, geographical features, buildings and archaeological sites, under a new Agriculture Bill published yesterday.

The Bill is intended to implement the new EEC structures regulation issued earlier this year which allows member states to give grants to farmers for environmental purposes. But although consent must be obtained from Brussels the money will come entirely from the agricultural departments' budgets.

The arrangements will be entirely voluntary and, unlike the management agreement made with the Nature Conservancy Council which applied only to designated sites of special scientific interest, any farmer within a designated area will be entitled to apply.

# Britain set to reject ban on hormones for animals

**By John Young**
**Agriculture Correspondent**

**The Government, supported by farmers and the veterinary profession, will almost certainly refuse to ratify blanket EEC ban on the use of hormones or antibiotics as growth promoters in livestock.**

**The council of farm ministers is due to meet on Monday week to discuss a possible ban which, under pressure from consumer groups, must member states are believed to favour.**

**Anabolic steroids are commonly used to increase growth rates in male animals which have been castrated. It has long been common practice to castrate bullocks, boars and rams both to reduce aggression and to improve the quality of the meat, which otherwise tends to become tough and to develop unpalatable tastes and odours.**

**Professor Eric Lamming, who this week accused Mr Frans Andriessen, the EEC Agriculture Commissioner, of succumbing to ill-informed consumer pressures, was appointed by the Commission to head a 30-strong group of scientiest investigating the safety of growth promoters.**

**Although his final report is not expected to be published before next year, he has already publicly supported the Government's view that the continued use of naturally occuring steroid hormones, namely oestradiol, progesterone and testosterone, together with the synthetics, trenbolone acetate and zeranol, poses no threat to human health provided they are administered under veterinary supervision and in an inedible part of the animal, usually the ear.**

**Concern about the use of steroids was prompted by the discovery of residues of the illegal substance diethylstilboestrol in canned baby food in Italy several years ago. It was found to have been administered to veal calves, and male infants fed with the product were reported to have started to develop female breasts.**

**Professor Lamming has made it clear that he supports a complete ban on the use of stilbenes and stilbene derivatives, which include diethylstilboestrol. He suggests that it would be more rational to concentrate of eliminating illegal use of those agents, rather than imposing a complete ban which would include synthetic forms of naturally occurring hormones, which are in any case undetectable.**

**Castration on male animals is less common on the Continent than in Britain and Ireland, because they are usually slaughtered at an earlier age. Countries such as Italy and West Germany are thus less concerned at the prospect of a ban**

**Ironically, the hormone level in meat from a bull or from a pregnant heifer or cow is generally far higher than in steers treated with hormones.**

# School sitars shelved

Bradford City council has been forced to put into indefinite storage £2,000 of Indian musical instruments because it cannot pay for the teachers.

The instruments, including 124 tabla and 25 sitars, will be stored with £10,000 of other musical materials for whom staff cannot be afforded.

# Cult sells HQ

Followers of the free-love cult of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, wo was recently arrested in the United States on immigration charges, have sold their British headquarters, a manor house at Herringswell, Suffolk, to a Japanese international Buddhist high school.

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# Family doctors' pay should be linked to results, royal college urges

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Family doctors who provide good quality care for their patients should be paid more than those who fail to do so, the Royal College of General Practitioners said yesterday.

Under the present system "there is no obvious link between remuneration and performance", the college said.

"Towards one end of the spectrum there is comprehensive care of high quality provided by general practitioners and other members of the primary care team. At the other, there is care of such poor quality that patients often seek primary care through hospital accident and emergency departments, and specialists continue to manage patients who could be returned to the care of their own doctor.

"This inconsistency can occur in the same town and even between neighbouring practices; it derives from variations in the performance of individual practitioners, although deprived environments and poor working conditions undoubtedly exacerbate the problem."

In a document setting out plans to ensure a uniformly high quality of general practice, the college says "there is increasing discussion on how performance may be related more closely to payment in NHS general practice." At present, doctors who innovate and extend their range and quality of services, particularly by bringing in computers to improve their clinical work and practice management, can find themselves "substantially out of pocket".

The idea that doctors' progress should be reassessed periodically and that they should be prepared to explain and justify regularly their clinical policies and decisions to their peers was not new, the college said. More doctors were now willing to accept it.

Negotiation of a system which rewarded good doctors with more pay, or penalized those who provided a poor service, was a matter for the British Medical Association and the Department of Health and Social Security not for the college, which was an academic body.

But Dr Donald Irvine, chairman of the college's council, said it hoped the proposals would be widely discussed. They had been forwarded to the BMA.

One idea the college put forward was for "a new and substantial allowance for performance review to be built into general practitioners' contracts".

That would be paid throughout their professional lives, provided periodic reviews by a visiting team of colleagues showed their performance was up to scratch.

Doctors would have to understand clearly the criteria by which they were being judged, the collefe said. But research in general practice was already showing that it was possible to establish whether particular types of patients were being treated in the best way, whether doctors communicated well with their patients, whether they kept good records and provided a quality service.

# Hospital waiting lists fall 1.2%

**Hospital waiting lists fell by only 1.2 per cent in England in the six months to March, to 674,453, according to Department of Health figures.**

**But the numbers waiting for an urgent operation have risen by the same percentage, up to 43,535, with the number of urgent cases that have waited more than a month up by more than 4 per cent to 28,438.**

**The figures show wide regional variations, with the waiting list falling by more than 6 per cent in North East Thames, one of the four London-based regions that is losing money to other parts of the country.**

**The figures were attacked yesterday as a "really quite pathetic reduction" by Mr Frank Dobson, Labour's health spokesman. "At this rate it would take 41 years to clear the hospital waiting lists".**

**He said it had taken almost three years to cut waiting lists by 72,000 after industrial action in the health service in 1982, compared with the end of the previous big pay dispute in 1979 when it took only five months to reduce them by 52,000 and 17 months to produce a 114,000 shortfall.**

**"The painfully slow reduction reflects the under-funding of the NHS. It shows that the NHS is finding it harder and harder to cope".**

**The small fall comes in spite of figures suggesting that appreciably more cases are being treated both as in-patients and out-patients, and as day cases.**

**Ten regions show a fall in the overall waiting list, with four regions, Yorkshire, North East Thames, South West Thames and Oxford, showing increases. But nine health regions have increases ranging from 2.1 per cent to almost 15 per cent in the numbers of urgent cases waiting.**

**In Greater London, which is losing money to other parts of the health service, waiting lists rose by 2.4 per cent to 117,686 and there was a big percentage rise in the number of urgent cases awaiting treatment in the specialist London hospitals – up from 350 to 390, a rise of 11 per cent.**

WAITING LISTS MARCH 1985
with % change on September 1984

| Region | Urgent Cases | | All Cases | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Northern | 2,035 | + 2.7 | 38,221 | –6.6 |
| Yorkshire | 2,099 | +14.8 | 47,211 | +0.4 |
| Trent | 3,449 | + 2.1 | 64,055 | –1.9 |
| East Anglia | 2,567 | – 8.5 | 29,132 | –6.5 |
| NW Thames | 2,615 | + 3.2 | 39,695 | –0.8 |
| NE Thames | 5,627 | – 0.2 | 66,705 | +4.9 |
| SE Thames | 3,050 | –16.0 | 51,048 | –1.2 |
| SW Thames | 3,590 | + 6.9 | 35,506 | +0.3 |
| Wessex | 3,876 | + 9.4 | 44,942 | –0.6 |
| Oxford | 1,920 | + 2.6 | 35,659 | +0.9 |
| S Western | 2,774 | – 6.8 | 45,061 | –3.2 |
| W Midlands | 4,668 | + 8.3 | 81,643 | –1.8 |
| Mersey | 1,683 | + 6.5 | 30,767 | –2.0 |
| North Western | 3,192 | – 1.4 | 58,800 | –1.4 |
| SHAs | 390 | +11.4 | 8,210 | –4.8 |
| England | 43,535 | + 4.2 | 674,453 | –1.2 |

Specialist London hospitals

# Mortgage rate cut lifts house cost

By Christopher Warman
Property Correspondent

The recent mortgage rate reduction has had its predicted result with a sharp rise in house prices, according to the latest house price index issued by the Halifax Building Society yesterday.

During the three months ending on October 31, average prices increased by 3 per cent, double the rise for the same period last year. The increase also accelerated on an annual basis, from 8.1 per cent in September to 8.4 per cent last month. It was the third consecutive increase since July, when annual house price inflation stood at 6.9 per cent.

The level compares with the present inflation rate of under 6 per cent, and the Halifax expects house price inflation to stabilize at about 8 per cent by the end of the year, remaining at that level in 1986.

A spokesman said: "The latest increase in prices reflects a sharp rise in housing market activity following the cut in mortgages".

There are wide regional variations within the average, from an increase of 17.8 per cent in the past year in Greater London down to only 2.2 per cent in the North. The average house price stood at £34,088 compared with £31,849 a year ago.

# Cassette demand overtakes LPs

By Teresa Poole

Demand for pre-recorded cassettes has overtaken long-playing records, because of the increasing use of car stereos and personal hi-fi systems.

In an exceptionally buoyant three months for the music industry from July to September, 12.2 million cassettes were delivered to the trade compared with 10.9 million LPs.

The British Phonographic Industry, the trade association for record companies and distributors, expects this year's total deliveries to reach £380 million, compared with £329 million in 1984. The value of trade deliveries for the third quarter rose by one fifth to £81 million.

There was also strong growth in the sales of compact discs, the digitally-encoded and laser-read alternatives to LPs. Compact discs deliveries in the third quarter of this year were almost equal to the total number sold in 1984.

They should exceed three million for the full year and forecasts suggest that at least six million will be sold next year.

Third-quarter record and cassette sales benefited from earlier than usual pre-Christmas buying by retailers. Artists and bands who appeared in the Live Aid concert saw sales of their albums increase.

THIRD-QUARTER DELIVERIES

| | 1984 | 1985 |
|---|---|---|
| Singles | 18.8m | 17.9m |
| LPs | 10.2m | 10.9m |
| Cassettes | 10.1m | 12.2m |
| Compact discs | 194,000 | 795,000 |

# City rubbish dioxin fear

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

The Government is investigating council rubbish incinerators in several cities to see whether they emit deadly dioxins. It is also trying to find a way of analysing the minute amounts of such substances that seep into the soil.

The dangers of the chemicals known collectively as dioxins first came to public notice in Britain at the time of the Seveso disaster in Italy

The industrial air pollution inspectorate of the Health and Safety Executive said yesterday that publicity last year about the dangers of dioxin had been exaggerated. But it added in its annual report, that it was difficult to ensure complete destruction of highly toxic material from chemical waste in all-purpose incinerators.

*Industrial Air Pollution* (Stationery Office, £5).

# US complaint filed on 'Dallas'

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

The American distributers of the television series *Dalla* have made a formal written complaint to the Office of Fair Trading (OFT) alleging unfair practices by the BBC and ITV.

The complaint, received last week after informal allegations last June by the distributers, Worldvision, is thought to herald further problems over the showing of the series in Britain.

Thames, which bought the show from Worldvision last January when the distributers thought the BBC's price was too low, have offered to pay for it to go back to the corporation. The BBC hopes that it will be able to screen an extended version of the new series on Christmas Day, but talks on its return, which have been going on for three months, are close to deadlock.

Worldvison is understood to have asked Thames for an indemnity against any losses it will suffer through the return of the series to the BBC. According to Thames sources the BBC has agreed to underwrite the ITV company's indemnity but Thames is still having talks with its lawyers

The *Dallas* saga caused a bitter internal ITV rift and cost Mr Bryan Cowgill, who masterminded the programme's purchase, his job as Thames managing director. It is understood that Mr Cowgill hs had several talks with the OFT about its investigation into the purchasing practices of the corporation and the ITV companies.

The BBC, ITV and the Independent Broadcasting Authority have formally denied the existence of any agreement on buying in foreign programmes,

# Quarter of TV 'violent'

**At least one programme in four contains scenes of violence, according to a study released today of one week's programmes carried out by the National Viewers' and Listeners' Association.**

**The association *has sent the* findings to advertisers whose commercials appeared during the programmes concerned. It tells them: "While we appreciate that you cannot choose the particular programme in which your advertisement appears, we imagine it may be a matter of some concern to you that your product or service may be associated in the minds of the public with the type of violence reported here".**

**The results came from a survey by a volunteer panel of members of the association**

**Mrs Mary Whitehouse, the association's president, will meet the Home Secretary on Monday to present the findings.**

**Steve Davis, the snooker professional, with pupils from his former school, Abbey Wood in south-east London, during a nine-hour snooker marathon yesterday in aid of the Ethiopia famine appeal (Photograph: Chris Harris).**

# Lawyers near cash deal for air disaster victims

From Peter Davenport, Manchester

Lawyers acting for victims of the Manchester air disaster, in which 55 people died, were understood last night to be close to a settlement on compensation terms.

Negotiations with a team of six solicitors representing British Airways, Boeing, the makers of the British Airtours 737 jet, and Pratt and Whitney, which produced its engines, took place in Manchester.

M Roger Pannone, chairman of a steering committee representing almost 50 firms of solicitors acting for more than 120 passengers and their relatives, said: "If negotiations break down the steering committee will be recommending that proceedings be commenced as quickly as possible in America.

"But if the basis of a settlement is agreed or there is very substantial progress towards that end, a statement will be issued tomorrow".

The lawyers are believed to be duscussing as much as £20 million compensation.

# Microcomputer assists woman to regain voice

By Patricia Clough

**A woman who was unable to speak for 10 years suddenly regained the use of her voice, thanks to a computer.**

**The BBC microcomputer, adapted so mentally handicapped people can play games, make patterns and move figures on the screen by making noises into a microphone, was one of several installed by North Yorkshire County Council social services' department in its 12 centresfor the mentally handicapped.**

**The woman, aged 30, who is mentally handicapped, withdrew into silence in 1975 after the death of a close friend. But only two days after she started using the £1,000 British-built computer she started talking again.**

**Mr Brian Quinn, the computer development officer, said: "It was the most dramatic reaction we have seen. It obviously grabbed her imagination and brought her out of herself."**

**Social workers will not reveal the woman's identity.**

# Schools to get grants for pupil businesses

By Mark Jackson
of *The Times Educational Supplement*

Grants and low interest loans to help school pupils to run commercial ventures will be announced by the Department of Trade and Industry next week. Any secondary or middle school in England and Wales will be able to claim £30 next year towards the costs of setting up a pupil enterprise.

About one-third of these schools already organize such ventures, either joint stock companies or co-operatives, as a way of introducing pupils to the practicalities of industrial and commercial management.

Th grant comes, not from the taxpayer, but from the National Westminster Bank, which is expected to spend up to £150,000 on the scheme as its contribution to Industry Year, a Goverment-backed campaign to increase awareness of industry throughout education.

Schools will be told to go directly to their local bank manager for their grant and for 5 per cent loans as working capital, together with free financial advice if they want it. The industry department is setting up a natonal network of co-ordinators to help schools to establish enterprises.

Most of the existing school ventures are run by sixth-formers and are wound up at the end of each year so a new generation can get experience of setting up a trading operation. Small profits are often made from selling such items as stationery, or by providing services such as catering at school events.

A few schools, likely to be more interested in generating profits for their funds than the educational value, have kept the same companies going for years at a time. Some of those are reported to have made up to £30,000 a year by selling business software produced by pupils or by hiring them out as computer consultants to local firms.

*Selling shares, buying votes*

Privatisation. First Labour sold part of BP. Then along came the Tories who stuck their toes in the water, liked the sensation, and went on with a series of sales culminating in the bigger splash of Telecom.

This week in the Queen's Speech we learn of more and even bigger sales to come, and the Government realises it has stumbled upon an election vote spinner as good as council house sales.

"Every earner an owner," cries the Prime Minister, with the knowledge that the monies coming in will finance tax cuts for all.

In this Friday's Spectator Christopher Fildes explores the whole issue and turns up a number of contradictions.

For example, monopolies sold as monopolies raise more money for the Treasury but do not necessarily result in more efficiency or competitiveness.

The country's tax structure doesn't encourage share ownership as it does house ownership or personal pensions.

And ... well, don't miss this engrossing article in this Friday's Spectator, now Britain's liveliest and most informative weekly.

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# All are responsible for law and order

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Law and order was not just an abstract principle, but was vital to the quality of life, Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, said in the Commons when he resumed the debate on the Queen's Speech. Responsibility for law and order went beyond government, Parliament and the police. It was shared by all, he said.

Opposition parties put more emphasis than did the Government on the link between crime and unemployment, bad housing and other social deprivation. The Government put more emphasis on the decline of family life and the relaxation of discipline.

**Mr Gerald Kaufman**, chief Opposition spokesman on home affairs, described the Government's claims on law and order as a cynical sham.

Even more cynical (he said) is the crude determination of Mrs Thatcher to try and ride to election victory on the backs of the police – men and women whose dedication to combating crime is simultaneously being exploited and undermined by policies in this Queen's Speech.

There is (he added) a growing divergence between what the police want to do and what the Government want the police to do. The police want to keep order for the people. The Government want to keep the people in order.

**Mr Hurd** said the present law on animal experiments and shop opening hours was creaking badly ad becoming steadily more difficult to apply. The two statutes were worn out. Over both matters there was genuine controversy and high feelings.

The Sunday trading law was riddled with anomalies, widely disregarded and enforced badly and, without enthusiasm by local authorities. The Government sought advice from an independent committee which concluded that the present law was past patching. The Bill would be based on the recommendations that the proposed Government measure would affect Sunday as providing a break in the rhythm of weekday life but he saw the measure much more as being in harmony with general views on freedom of choice.

It was important that the House should not end up by replacing an old muddle with a new muddle. The proposed scheme would be relatively simple.

The complexity and scale of experiments on animals had increased enormously and a new control system was necessary. There was much concern. The Government wanted new arrangements which would strike the right balance. There was a need to minimize animal suffering and, on the other hand, to maintain the advance of science and medicine.

The legislation would provide a firm structure for future control and the encouragement of alternatives to animal experiments.

The government had done much already to reduce the supply and demand for drugs. Heroin seizures tripled between 1982 and 1984. In 1984 the quantity of heroin seized was 50 per cent higher than in the previous year and nearly as much as in the whole United States in that period.

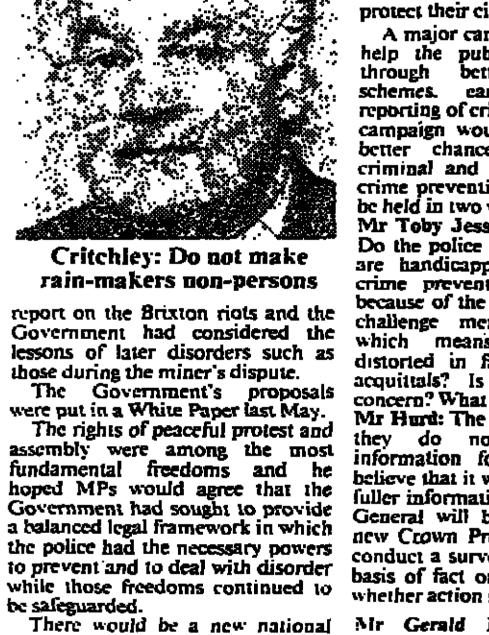
The number convicted of drug tafficking last year was over 4,000 an increase of 800 on 1983. The number of adult drug offenders in jail in England and Wales rose by 600 from September 1984 up to last June.

The Bill for confiscation of the proceeds of drug trafficking was the next and crucial step, creating a new offence of handling proceeds of drug trafficking and giving powers to obtain information about their movement or disposal. There would be available a presumption that anyone convicted of drug trafficking had derived all his assets from trafficking unless they could prove otherwise.

He hoped the proposals would be supported as a vigorous response to a manace which had destroyed many young lives and families.

The Public Order Bill followed wide consultation. It had been absurdly suggested in some quarters that the Bill had been thrust forward at the last minute for some obscure political purpose.

Whatever criticism the Public Order Bill may attract (he said) undue haste in preparing it cannot be one of them. The review of the public order law was announced by Lord Whitelaw in June 1979 and there was a Green Paper in June 1980. In that year, too, the Select Committee on Home Affairs published a report on the law in this area. In 1981 came Lord Scarman's report on the Brixton riots and the Government had considered the lessons of later disorders such as those during the miner's dispute.



Critchley: Do not make rain-makers non-persons

The Government's proposals were put in a White Paper last May.

The rights of peaceful protest and assembly were among the most fundamental freedoms and he hoped MPs would agree that the Government had sought to provide a balanced legal framework in which the police had the necessary powers to prevent and to deal with disorder while those freedoms continued to be safeguarded.

There would be a new national requirement already found in many local Acts for organizers of marches to give advance notice to the police, with an exception for marches organized at short notice in response to an emergency.

The existing powers of the police to impose conditions on marches to prevent serious public disorder would be widened to enable them to prevent marches which were likely to cause serious disruption to the community or coercion of individuals. Similarly, preventative powers would apply to static demonstrations and assemblies in the open air but no extension to the existing power to ban marches or ban static demonstrations.

A new offence of disorderly conduct punishable by a fine would be introduced. It would provide protection against acts of hooliganism which caused alarm, harassment or distress, for which the police could not deal adequately at the present.

There was some evidence from the British crime survey that the public was more inclined, perhaps for insurance purposes, to report burglaries.

I mention that point (he added) because it is one which statisticians think is important but I do not rest the argument on it. The essential point is that the crime statistics for reported crime showed a steady rise since the 1950s. There have been ups and downs in particular areas but in the 1950s the average annual increase was per cent and since 1960 the average annual increase has been between 6 per cent or 7 per cent.

It stating these facts I am not trying to diminish them at all but simply to state them. We are dealing with a trend which has gone on for 35 years which is deeply worrying precisely because it is so continuous. The figures about drugs show a new and big element coming in.

The roots and causes of crime had always been a matter for argument.

The Opposition Parties (he said) put more emphasis than we tend to on the link with unemployment, bad housing and other social deprivation. We put more emphasis than perhaps they do on the decline of family life and the relaxation of discipline.

I hope we can all agree, as Mr Kinnock did yesterday, that once crime has been committed it should and must be dealt with firmly under the law and the police and courts should have the full support of every law-abiding citizen and democratic party. It will be a poor day when that statement becomes a matter of debatex in this House or in council chambers.

We are not asking, and it would be silly to ask, the Opposition to relax their views on the social and economic policies of the Government. But I would ask all Labour MPs to join with us and the vast majority of citizens in supporting the police not only in deprived areas but in towns, in schools, in all the places where the police are trying their best to uphold the law and protect their citizens.

A major campaign was needed to help the public help themselves through better police liaison schemes, earlier warning and reporting of crime. Mounting such a campaign would give the police a better chance of catching the criminal and preventing crime. A crime prevention conference would be held in two weeks' time.

**Mr Toby Jessel** (Twickenham, C): Do the police not believe that they are handicapped with respect to crime prevention and deterrence because of the abuse of the right to challenge membership of juries which means that juries are distorted in favour of too many acquittals? Is this a matter of concern? What can be done?

**Mr Hurd:** The law officers find that they do not have sufficient information for action, but they believe that it would be right to gain fuller information and the Attorney General will be arranging for the new Crown Prosecution Service to conduct a survey so that we have a basis of fact on which to consider whether action should be taken.

**Mr *Gerald Kaufman***, said the Government's record on law and order was a criminal record. The country was suffering from an all-time record crime wave which even the best efforts of the police were increasingly powerless to stem.

In Thatcher's Britain every family had a one in four chance of being victims of a serious crime. One crime of violence took place every four-and-a-half minutes; one act of criminal damage took place very 61 seconds and one burglary every 35 seconds. Thatcher's Britain was the most crime-ridden country in Europe.

Mr Hurd had asked the Opposition to support the police.

We (**Mr Kaufman** said) support the police; the problem is that the police do not support Mr Hurd. While Mrs Thatcher and Mr Hurd parroted their support for the police, the Police Federation conference unanimously passed a vote of no confidence in the Government. There was nothing at all in this Queen's Speech that would cause the police to rescind that vote.

Certainly the proposal to penalize drug dealers would have the Opposition's support. They hoped that the Bill would have an impact on the terrible curse of drug addiction which was rotting away at an ever-increasing number of victims.

The nation had rightly been horrified by the terrible manifestation of arson, looting, robbery, rape and murder during the urban disturbances. Even though public order offences were actually a teeny proportion of total crimes, there was an understandable demand that strenuous action should be taken to prevent riots, and where they broke out to deal with them firmly.

But the Government's Public Order Bill would contain nothing whatever that could prevent riots and nothing whatever to assist the police in trying to contain riots.

The police were scarcely short of offences under which they could make arrests in such circumstances. That was not the problem at all.

The unprecedented new powers in the forthcoming Bill (he said) will force the police into making political decisions about the merits of particular marches and demonstrations. Now it turns out they will be required to make assessments about the peacable intentions of the Salvation Army. These are decisions the police do not want to make.

The police would be forced into unnecessary and damaging confrontations with the organizers of open air meetings who found an Englishman's, Welshman's or Scotsman's, traditional right to speak freely was being restricted by the Government's fear of free speech.

The Government seemed determined to undermine the essential relationship between the police and the public, to erode confidence, to provoke confrontation. That would certainly be the effect of this Public Order Bill.

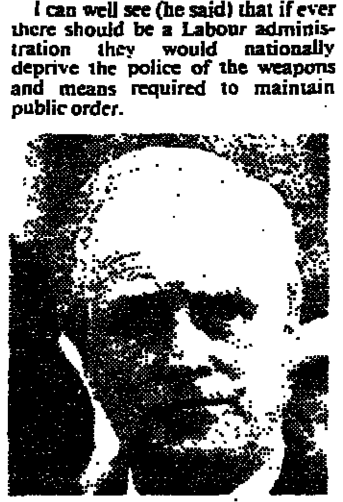
What we need (he continued) is to foster closer relationships between the police and the communities in which they serve. The police should be given the opportunity to become more responsive to the wishes and fears of the public.

During the past six years under the Conservative Government there had been a 40 per cent increase in reported crime. Mrs Thatcher had shiftily dodged the question about what she was going to do about it.

The Prime Minister (he said) is simply not interested in that question; still less in the answer to it. All Mrs Thatcher is interested on is cheap slogans.

**Mr Winston Churchill** (Davyhulme, C) said it came ill from Mr Kinnock, let alone Mr Kaufman, to lecture the Prime Minister and this Government on not doing enough to uphold the law when left wing activists were daily undermining the work of the police.

I can well see (he said) that if ever there should be a Labour administration they would nationally deprive the police of the weapons and means required to maintain public order.



Churchill: Who taught children to make bombs?

Recent disturbances in Brixton and other areas had been a stark revelation to the nation of the critical situation in the inner cities which had been allowed over the last two or three decades to become cesspits of deprivation, lawlessness and crime. These events, he feared, might be only a foretaste of the bloodshed which could become greater unless positive steps were taken urgently to deal with this problem which potentially posed a mortal threat to the nation's liberal democracy.

It was difficult to avoid the conclusion that the recent troubles in some inner cities had been at least partly the work of extremist activists. Who had taught schoolchildren of 14 or 15 how to make petrol bombs?

**Mr James Callaghan** (Cardiff South and Penarth, Lab), the former Labour Prime Minister, said the long-settled coloured community in his constituency expected the same standard of quietness, tranquillity and an ability to lead their own lives as did any wealthy white community or suburb. They demanded the same services from the police and the same behaviour from those living in their midst.

The majority of black or coloured people should not be tarred along with the few who might be seen on the television screens. They wanted to live among others in a multiracial society. We shall mistake the problem (he said) if we do not accept that proposition.

The Prime Minister had not been able to answer the question about why these problems happened because she did not know. He was not sure that he knew either, and this was one of the difficulties. There were no clear answers. There had been a decline in morality in the community and they should not exempt what happened in the City of London when this general accusation was made.

The police were badly overstrained and needed more help than they were getting. The Home Secretary should give it to them.

The handful of authorities denying the police access to schools was behaving foolishly and in a shortsighted way. Children should be able to see the police and understand their work and problems. Labour authorities denying access should reverse their decision forthwith. (Cheers).

Mr Bernie Grant, leader of Haringey Council had had a roasting from Mr Kinnock and others, and this would have taught him a great deal. He hoped Mr Grant had learnt a lot.

Conservatives should not try to pretend that the Labour Party was against law and order or against the police, and Labour should not fall into the trap where they looked as if they were constantly criticizing the police. Their people would suffer as much as anybody else if law and order broke down. The issue should be taken out of party politics as far as possible.

**Mr Julian Critchley** (Aldershot, C) said the theme of the Conservative Party conference was that the Government's policies were right but its public relations were wrong. Surely that was not really the case. The truth had been told as the Government wanted it to be told for the past six years. The Government had enjoyed a more favourable national press than any other government for very many years.

The Government had not lacked *rain-makers and magicians* and they should be fair to them. They must have a good word for Gordon Reece, the man who gave them not only one new Mrs Thatcher but two, and a good word for the Saatchi brothers who made them an offer they could not refuse.

Nor should they forget Lord Everett of Wembley. Were these now to become non-persons and saddled with the blame for the Government's failures? How cruel a fate.

The old political agenda was: public spending is bad; civil servants are idle; waste is rife; you must suffer; moaning minnies must get on their bikes; state benefits are far too high; there is no alternative to present economic policies; pull up your socks. No wonder they were unloved.

The new agenda was: public spending is good; you have not suffered; we care; we will cut income tax; we will cut unemployment; we will give you new laws and more order; Mrs Thatcher loves you after all; we will do away with rates, but not yet; we can perform the five-card trick.

The Prime Minister worked on the basis of the old Spanish proverb – that the greater the number of enemies the more the honour. They should now start to make friends with the electorate.

**Mr Robert Maclennan** (Caithness and Sutherland, L) said the Alliance parties would support legislation necessary to combat public disorder

**Mr Allan Roberts** (Bootle, Lab) said the certainty of detection was a greater deterrent to crime than severe punishment.

The greatest deterrent (he went on) was the loss of self-respect and possibly loss of job and loss of dignity. But if people have no job and no stake in the country or if they have no self-respect, what is the deterrent to committing a crime

He said Bootle had been shown to be the main centre for the distribution of drugs on Merseyside. Research by the Merseyside Drug Education Training Unit disclosed that it was easy to buy "smack" if one knew the general area.

# Government backing for US initiative on arms control

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Soviet arms control proposals were unacceptably one-sided but contained elements on which it was hoped the negotiators at Geneva could build, **Lady Young**, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said when the debate on the Queen's Speech was resumed in the House of Lords. Only the political will was necessary, she added.

President Reagan had shown this political will and had laid the foundations for real progress by putting forward further, detailed proposals. The Government strongly supported his initiative and hoped that the Soviet Union would now engage in serious negotiations at the conference table where they belonged.

The wide differences between East and West would not be reconciled overnight, but consistent and patient contacts over time could create that modicum of understanding and trust needed to make progress on the key security issues of the age.

We do not (she continued) pursue this process blindly. We are all too aware of the continuing human rights abuses by the Soviet and East European governments in their own countries and of their use of force and intimidation against other states, as in the brutal occupation of Afghanistan.

These are not reasons for us to give up trying to improve Soviet behaviour, but they remind us of the kind of governments and political systems with which we are dealing.

At a ministerial meeting in Luxembourg on November 11 and 12 Britain and its European partners would demonstrate their practical support for Central America by signing a co-operation agreement and establishing an annual political dialogue. They hoped that these steps would encourage progress towards peace and democracy in this troubled area. The Government would continue to support the efforts of the Contadora group which it regarded as the best means of resolving the crisis in the region.

The Government remained committed to a substantial aid programme. In the year up to March, 1985, Britain spent £95m on famine relief operations. This year it was anticipated that such expenditure would total at least £80m. These funds had made a significant impact.

**Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos**, leader of the Opposition peers, said everyone was hoping for success at the Geneva arms talks. By success, he said, he did not mean a detailed solution to all the problems, but for the leaders of the superpowers to be seen to be discussing problems rationally and with a genuine will to find answers.

The world had been bombarded by propaganda from both sides, neither wishing to lose the initiative. When it came to talks around the table, propaganda had to be left outside the conference door if there was to be a spirit of mutual confidence.

While it is necessary to be realistic in our dealings with the Soviet Union (he said) we must not be so sceptical as to brush off every one of their proposals as insincere.

At the same time experience had shown there was nothing to be gained by subservience to the United States, indeed France had proved the reverse to be true.

It was in the interests of everyone that the talks were successful for failure would result in a continuation of the squalid propaganda war which would reveal a bankruptcy of spirit and statesmanship.

**Lord Mayhew** (L) said the posturing of the superpowers was a reason for grave public sceptisism about the arms control negotiations generally and the West's claim to be approaching the talks with a greater commitment and from higher moral grounds.

No country was better placed than Britain to take a leading part in arms talks but the Conservatives seemed determined to go it alone while keeping a distance from Europe, and the Labour Party seemed to be keeping a distance from Europe and the United States.

**The Bishop of Leicester**, the Rt Rev Cecil Rutt, in a maiden speech, said it was welcome news that the Government was maintaining its substantial aid programme, but the relief of famine was not enough.

People were more aware of the situation and had been educating themselves about the proper use of overseas aid. The inspired work of ordinary people like Bob Geldof was permeating concern about overseas needs to what had once been regarded as uneducated parts of society.

**Lord Boyd-Carpenter** (C) said it was upon the close relationship between the United States and Britain that real hopes of a peaceful world very largely depended. The moving tribute by President Reagan to the late editor of *The Times* was a remarkable gesture from the head of a great nation and an indication of the great interest and concern that existed between the two countries.

**Lord Forres** said that as a working farmer in New South Wales he had travelled nearly 13,000 miles to make his maiden speech. Australia's economy, which earned nearly half its export income from the sale of agricultural produce, was under considerable pressure owing to the adverse effect of the common agricultural policy. Countries like Australia, New Zealand and Canada had a common interest with the European Community in reforming CAP. All faced substantial economic cost as a result of Community agricultural protection.

**Lord Caradon** (Lab) said there was a dangerous tendency to turn away from the methods of the United Nations for dealing with the evils in the world. He hoped that when they talked of freedom they would think of the occasions when they had failed to provide freedom and justice for those under their responsibility.

**Lord Gladwyn** (L) said President Reagan's noble vision of a world entirely liberated from the threat of nuclear extinction was not confined to some eventual United States-Soviet co-operation. Every country that wanted it would be given the possibility of setting up its own strategic defence. The amount of resources involved in such stupendous operations defied the imagination, but all this was just public relations put out to soften any resistance to Star Wars.

**Lord Annan** (Ind) urged Britain's withdrawal from Unesco, an organisation which he said was now hostile to the West. There were far better areas in which the money saved could be spent, such as the BBC overseas service

# Tories open opposition to Sunday trading

Conservative backbenchers sounded an early warning of opposition to the promised Bill on Sunday trading during exchanges with Mr John Biffen, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the Commons, on forthcoming business.

Mr Peter Bruinvels (Leicester, East, C) unsuccessfully sought an assurance from Mr Biffen that there would be a free vote on the issue. It is (Mr Bruinvels said) a matter of conscience and it is something we cannot just forget.

Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, was the first to raise the Sunday trading issue after Mr Biffen had announced the business for next week.

There are (Mr Kinnock said) disturbing reports that the legislation on Sunday trading will be introduced in the House of Lords. Is that the case? If it is Labour will strongly oppose such a move.

Mrs Thatcher yesterday (Wednesday) acknowledged the measure would cause some difficulty to Conservative MPs. Is the decision to start the legislation in the Lords an atempt to give the Conservative chief whip (Mr John Wakeham) more time to soften up opposition on his own benches?

Mr Biffen: There can be no question of the Government having difficulty with the Shops Bill. The Auld Committee recommendations were confirmed by 304 votes to 184. Mr Wakeham has that enviable quality of instant charm so we forsee no difficulties.

Sir Fergus Montgomery (Altrincham and Sale, C): For once, and I hope the last time, I am in agreement with Mr Kinnock. It would be quite wrong if the Government took the legislation on the Shops Bill through the House of Lords first.

There are Conservative MPs who feel equally strongly as the Opposition on this issue. Can we have some reassurance

Mr Biffen: This is a matter for the usual channels. There is consideration that a good sound majority in this House could disarm the bishops.

Mr Bruinvels: There is widespread concern over the possibility of Sunday trading. The General Synod had only one member voting for Sunday trading.

Will Mr Biffen ensure that there is a debate in this House rather than the House of Lords? Will he ensure it is done on a free vote, because it is a matter of conscience and it is something which we cannot just forget.

Mr Biffen: I noted the Soviet-like majority in the Synod.

● He also announced, in response to Mr Kinnock, that a debate on the televising of the Commons would take place this month. He confirmed that Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, would make his Autumn Statement next Tuesday.

## Parliament today

**Commons** (9.30): Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Foreign affairs and overseas development).

# Three further days for Queen's Speech

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be:

**Monday:** Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Social security and education).

**Tuesday:** Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Industry and employment).

**Wednesday:** Conclusion of debate on the Queen's Speech (The economy).

**Thursday:** Debate on EEC draft budgets for 1985 and 1986.

**Friday:** Debate on road safety.

The main business in the House of Lords next week will be:

**Tuesday:** Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Home and environmental affairs).

**Wednesday:** Conclusion of debate on the Queen's Speech (Economic, employment and industrial affairs).

**Thursday:** Debate on economic and social consequences of the new technologies.

## Fixed fines

The section of the Transport Act 1982 dealing with extended fixed penalties for road traffic offences will be implemented on October 1, 1986, **Mr Douglas Hurd**, the Home Secretary, announced in a Commons written reply.

An order increasing the existing fixed penalty of £10 to £12 would be made early in the new year and the higher level of fixed penalty, which will only operate under the new system, would be £24, he added.

# Reform of benefits will fail neediest, researchers claim

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Some of the neediest and most disabled claimants will lose money under the Government's plans to reform the social security system, according to an analysis by the Policy Studies Institute, which carried out a research programme for the Department of Health and Social Security before the review of the system was launched. The finding comes despite the Government's declared aim of concentrating help where it is most needed.

The institute calculates that the new disability premium will reach fewer than half those who have extra needs because of long-term health problems. Some of the most severely disabled are likely to be worse off because the premium will not match extra weekly payments which they now receive and are to be abolished. The new premium, it says, will reach only a small proportion of families where children or partners have long-term health problems.

The plan to convert the present distinction, which gives higher rates to householders than non-householders, into one that gives more to those aged over 25 and less to those under 25, will transfer money from needy to less needy claimants, according to the institute.

About 650,000 of the 4.3 million claimants will see a gain or loss in benefit of £5 a week or more, it says, but the structural changes will not in themselves lead to any more money going to those who are in greatest hardship

The institute's analysis is an embarrassment to the Government, suggesting that in several important areas the review has failed to achieve one of its aims, of concentrating help on those with greatest needs.

The changes may ease administration, the institute says, but look likely to have "a slightly negative effect on the targeting of benefit". For the Government's aims to be achieved some extra money would be needed.

The proposed Family Credit, paid through the pay packet, will ensure that no family will lose more money from paying tax and losing benefits as their income from work rises. The institute says, however, that there will be a big increase in the numbers whose net income remains almost constant, whatever their wages, and an even bigger number – a further 300,000 or so – who will lose between 60p and 80p of each extra £1 they earn through a combination of paying tax and losing benefits.

*The Examination of Social Security*, PSI, 100 Park Village East, London NW1.

# Police win TV ban

A High Court judge yesterday banned London Weekend Television (LWT) from screening a reconstruction of the death in police custody of a black Hell's Angel.

Mr Justice Gatehouse granted an injunction to six unnamed police officers which prevents the screening tonight of an investigation by The London Programme into the death of John Mikkleson, aged 32, of Windsor.

The Police Federation last month obtained a High Court injunction preventing LWT from filming a reconstruction of the death within a mile of the scene of the arrest

# Redundancy raises visits to doctors

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Unemployment and the threat of redundancy could be adding to the workload of the National Health Service, according to a study published yesterday by the Royal College of General Practitioners.

A study of 129 workers at the Harris sausage and bacon factory in Calne, Wiltshire, made redundant in 1982 when the factory closed, found that they visited their family doctors 20 per cent more often in the two years after closure.

There was a 40 per cent increase in their being referred to hospital out-patient departments, and hospital doctors were likely to call them back for appointments, producing a 60 per cent increase in out-patient attendances. Similar increases occured among the redundant workers' families.

The college said yesterday the findings implied that "unemployment is leading to dramatic increases in workload and cost for the National Health Service".

The closure of the factory in the small and stable town gave a rare opportunity to study the effects, according to Dr Norman Beale, a Calne GP, and Miss Susan Hethercott, a statistician who carried out the study.

In spite of the increase in consultations among workers under threat of redundancy, cases of actual illness rose by only 11 per cent, which was not thought to be statistically significant.

A 20 per cent increase in consultations and 60 per cent rise in out-patient attendances among the families of the 3.3 million unemployed "is a projection of startling economic consequence to the NHS", Dr Beale added.

*Journal of the Royal College of General Practitioners*: November 1985, p510.

The six lifeboatmen honoured yesterday, from left: Robert Vowles, Alan Martel, Peter Bisson, Peter Bougourd, Michael Guille and Richard Hamon (Photograph: Warren Harrison)

# Award for lifeboatmen who saved nine

The Liberian government presented an award yesterday to six Guernsey lifeboatmen who rescued nine men from the Liberian freighter Radiant Med which sank in the Channel in January last year.

The St Peter Port lifeboat had to battle through waves up to 40ft high and winds of force 9 gusting to force 11, at night. The exhausted survivors were removed from the ship's lifeboat and a search was made for any further survivors.

The Liberia government's investigation into the loss of the Radiant Med said: "This is a dramatic example of the selfless service traditionally rendered to those in peril on the sea.

"More than courage was required to save those of the Radiant Med who were suffering from exposure in a waterlogged lifeboat. Coxswain Michael Scales and his crew demonstrated a superlative degree of professional competence that is absolutely essential for a successful rescue

Mr Scales was not at the presentation in London as he has now left the Royal National Lifeboat Institution

# Welsh fear acid rain has 'killed' nine lakes

From Tim Jones, Cardiff

The Welsh Water Authority is carrying out research on acid rain, which is believed to have wiped out life in at least nine Welsh lakes and is threatening the principality's £15 millin angling industry. Experts believe that the upper reaches of most rivers where salmon and sea trout spqwn have been affected.

Preliminary results indicate that changing farming patterns and conifer forestation exacerbate the problem. Drainage ditches give rain no chance to gradually seep into the ground and be neutralized, while conifer needles gather airborne chemicals that are washed into streams and lakes when it rains.

In addition, particular attention is being giben to the theory that the decline in brown trout may be attributable partly to the restocking of lakes with fish of unsuitable genetic background.

To try to save lakes threatened with acid, the authority has been pouring tons of fine dry limestone into them. An additional method, of submersing bags of oyster shells in inlet streams to provide calcium carbonate, is being tried.

# Euro MPs ban famine collection

By a Staff Reporter

A Welsh Euro MP yesterday described the European Parliament as a "Scrooge's palace" for refusing to allow a Christmas collection for famine relief.

Mr Lew Smith, MEP for South East Wales, had planned to distribute leaflets and collect money in the Strasbourg building during next month's session.

But his request was turned down by the Parliament which, although sympathetic, said it could not allow a precedent to be established which would be followed by other charities.

Mr Smith said: "The Parliament is like a Scrooge's palace – unwilling to put their hands in their pockets to help the starving people of Africa during the season of goodwill".

He is now writing to Mr Bob Geldof of Band Aid requesting his help. A spokesman for Band Aid said: "This is an excellent gesture by Mr Smith, but there needs to be some serious long-term development in Africa. I do not want to comment on the decision of the European Parliament."

# Police at demonstration were denied shields

By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

The Home Secretary is being asked why police officers under attack during a demonstration in London had an urgent request for protective shields refused by their superiors.

Cans, sticks, fireworks and jagged pieces of metal were thrown at the police during last weekend's anti-apartheid protest outside the South African Embassy, leaving seven officers injured, one seriously.

Sir Eldon Griffiths, Conservative MP for Bury St Edmunds and parliamentary adviser to the Police Federation, has written to Mr Douglas Hurd demanding to know why the officers' request was rejected, given the pledge on protecting them by Sir Kenneth Newman, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, after the Tottenham riot.

Sir Kenneth, who is being sent a copy of Sir Eldon's letter, had said the police must "never again" be asked to stand and take a sustained and vicious attack. He promised a review of police tactics during riots.

Sir Eldon said a number of lengths of iron drainpipe were seized and broken up during the anti-apartheid demonstration

# 'Militant' pays MP damages

The left-wing newspaper *Militant* paid undisclosed four-figure damages to Mr James White, Labour MP for Glasgow, Pollok, at the High Court in London yesterday for allegations in February 1983 that his treatment of employees at his Glasgow transport company was "disgraceful". The newspaper did not apologise.

The *Glasgow Herald*, which repeated the accusations, agreed to pay "suitable" damages and Mr White's legal costs.

## Day divorce

Sir Robin Day, the broadcaster, who has been married to his wife, Katherine, for 20 years, was granted a decree nisi in the London Divorce Court yesterday on the grounds that they had lived apart for more than two years.

## Actor bankrupt

David Hemmings, aged 43, the United States-based actor and film director, was not present when he was declared bankrupt in the London Bankruptcy Court yesterday on a £4,626 claim by a vintage car repairer for work done

## Tax charges

More than 100 charges against 25 men, aged between 21 and 53, in connection with the theft and misuse of tax exemption documents for the building industry, involving about £2 million, were adjourned until December 10, by magistrates at Wellingborough, Northants, yesterday.

## Skulls traced

Two skulls thrown on to the steps of Harold Hill police station, near Brentwood, Essex, early on Saturday had been stolen from an isolated family tomb in Thorndon Park near by as a Halloween stunt, police said yesterday.

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# Jews deplore conversion drive by 'outside' Protestants

**By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent**

Jewish leaders in Britain have privately warned the Christian churches that the activities of Protestant missionaries in trying to convert Jews are becoming a real threat to good Jewish-Christian relations.

Particular concern has been expressed about approaches to young Jewish students at polytechnics and universities. Instances cited include the offer of free kosher meals as an inducement to attend gatherings, at which Christian evangelists then try to interest Jewish students in "born again" Christianity.

At a special meeting on Monday, chaired by the Dean of Westminster, the Very Rev Edward Carpenter, Jewish representatives laid their complaints before their opposite numbers from the churches. The meeting had been called by the Council of Christians and Jews, whose presidents include the Archbishops of Canterbury and Westminster, and the Chief Rabbi. It set up a small committee to continue the discussion.

The measure of concern was indicated by the unexpectedly large Jewish turn-out at the meeting. Christian representatives *on the council* of Christians and Jews are understood to have held out little hope for any relaxation of attempts to convert young Jews, as the agencies responsible were independent of the main Christian denominations.

It has been made known to Jewish leaders that Roman Catholic chaplains in colleges and universities report similar pressure on their students from similar Protestant groups, and resent it no less. It has been pointed out, in return, that the Jewish community does not know enough about the divisions and sub-divisions in Christianity to be able to distinguish between the mainstream churches and smaller, more extreme groups.

All are held responsible, and many Jews are said to be questioning Christian good faith in participating in bodies such as the Council of Christians and Jews.

Groups identified as engaged in this work include the American "Jews for Jesus" movement, the so-called Messianic Jews, and, in some campuses, the Christian Union, a *mainstream* evangelical student organization. Even the latter is not under the control of the churches, as each local Christian Union is independent.

# Haydn find inspires lost music speculation

**By Gregory Neale**

**British country houses could contain lost musical treasures, it emerged yesterday in the wake of the discovery of a piece of clockwork organ music thought to be by Joseph Haydn.**

**Mr William Malloch, an American musicologist and Haydn scholar, said at his home in Los Angeles that his Haydn find, made in Switzerland, was likely to be the lastest in a continuing series of rediscoveries in the field of early mechanical music.**

**Of particular interest to musical historians is the fate of 54 barrels made in 1767 for the Earl of Bute. Mr Malloch said yesterday that the 4th barrels contained 10 hours of early Baroque music and could reveal valuable insights into the technique and playing styles of musicians of the period.**

**"We know they were produced", Mr Malloch said. "A catalogue survives telling us they were programmed by John Christopher Smith. But where they are now, nobody seems to know.**

**"My guess is that they could still be intact, possibly stored away in a Scottish country house. But often these early mechanical musical items are not recognized for what they are."**

**"The next 10 years may well *see more of them being* rediscovered.."**

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**A display of memorabilia from one of the Second World War's most harrowing tales of survival at sea opened yesterday at the Imperial War Museum, London. Mr Kenneth Cooke (top, holding a strip of sail *recording the deaths of his shipmates and,* left, recuperating), was one of two survivors out of 14 men in a lifeboat after the tramp steamer SS Lulworth Hill was torpedoed. He and Mr Colin Armitage (on the right, above), were saved by the destroyer HMS Rapid after 50 days adrift.**

**(Top photograph: John Voos).**

# Parents jailed for rape of daughter

A married couple were jailed yesterday *for the rape of their* daughter, aged 15. The girl's mother had held her hand as her husband committed the offence at their home on a Sunday afternoon. Mr Neil Ford, for the prosecution, had told Bristol Crown Court.

The girl's father, aged 39, admitted raping her on two occasions and indecently assaulting a friend of his daughter on holiday in Cornwall. He was jailed for five years concurrently for each of the rapes, and one year for the indecency offence, to run consecutively.

Mr Justice Nolan told him: "It is a dreadful thing for a man to rape his 15-year-old daughter. To do so a second time with the help of the girl's mother makes this a uniquely dreadful crime."

The mother, aged 40, was found guilty by a jury of rape and sentenced to three years imprisonment. The judge told her: "It is almost unbelievable that a mother should have acted as you did."

The girl's rape by both her parents came a month after her father had raped her as they were alone in their home near Chippenham, Wiltshire. He pulled her hair to overcome resistence and dragged her crying into his bedroom, Mr Ford said.

In mitigation, Mr Ian Fenny said the man was a "closet alcoholic" *who became infatuated* with his daughter.

# Drug dealer 'used son to cope with workload'

A man recruited his son into an international cannabis smuggling racket because he needed someone to help him with the pressure of work, Worcester Crown Court was told yesterday.

Mr Barry Humphreys, aged 42, a former antiques dealer of Pedmore, Stourbridge, West Midlands, said he involved his son, Stuart, aged 21, in the syndicate, described as one of the most highly organized and profitable in Brtain, because he could not cope any longer by himself.

Mr Humphreys said he collected consignments of cannabis resin, stored them in lock-up garages he rented, supplied dealers and weighed samples.

He also collected money from dealers and took large sums to the Kensington Hilton Hotel, West London, to be passed on to a Dutch courier for shipment to the continent.

In six months, he took £4 million to London, and throughout the 10 months in which he was involved received between £16,000 and £20,000.

Mr Humphreys said on one occasion he had to fly to Marbella, Spain, to show his accounts to Mr Raymond Allon whom the prosecution claims ran the syndicate by telephone

Humphreys, his son, and nine others admit conspiring to supply cannabis and four other men deny the same charge.

*The case was adjourned until* today.

# Satellites to reveal nuclear test 'cheats'

**By Pearce Wright, Science Editor**

A guarantee against cheating in underground nuclear testing is now possible, according to a technical paper in today's issue of *Modern Geology*, the quarterly scientific journal.

The possibility of cheating on arms control agreements was emphasized by President Reagan as a crucial issue to be faced at the Geneva summit. Mrs Margaret Thatcher has also expressed Britain's willingness to accept a test ban treaty, provided there are foolproof assurances against secret violations.

Advances in geological research into seismic effects hold the key to the accuracy of verification, one of the main obstacles to a comprehensive test ban agreement, according to a paper by Dr Jerry Leggett, of Imperial College, London.

He describes three types of geological areas in both countries which could be deliberately chosen to mask seismic ripples caused by underground tests. They are described as sedimentary basins of dry unconsolidated alluvium, salt deposits, domes and mining complexes.

Dr Leggett says that advanced methods of constructing the holes for placing an explosive meant the energy of detonation can be absorbed in the surrounding rock without generating a detectable shock wave.

This clandestine method of testing is referred to as "big-hole decoupling" or, in other words dampening of vibrations.

However, the latest types of seismic measurement, he describes, which can be made from satellites, distinguishes between nuclear and natural explosions, even in geological structures chosen for their decoupling properties.

# Sale of illegally-caught salmon to be banned

**By John Winder**

The Government is to introduce legislation to outlaw trading in illegally caught salmon. At present a salmon poached or otherwise caught illegally may be sold legally.

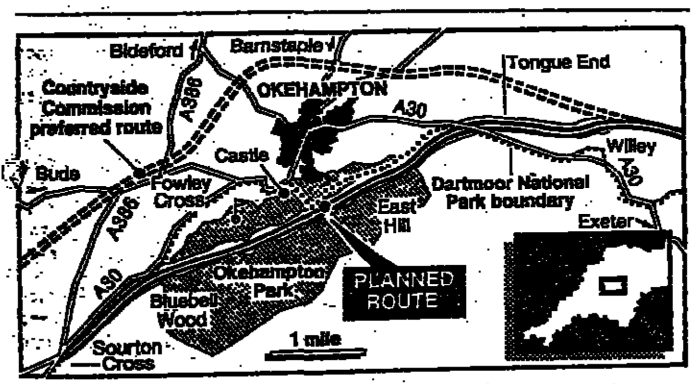
The proposed legislation emerged in a written reply by Mr John Gummer, Minister of State, Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, yesterday.

After dwelling on the difficulties presented by "tagging" legally caught salmon, Mr Gummer concluded that such a scheme would not be viable.

He also discounted the idea of licensing salmon dealers to control sales because of the additional administrative structure required, but in Scotland dealer licensing is to be introduced. There the administrative structure and trade patterns are different.

The North-east England salmon drift netting fishery is to be allowed to continue but severe restrictions are to be placed upon it, including a close period of eight hours each night. The fishery will also be closed from 6pm on Fridays to 6am on Mondays.

The new restrictions follow concern about the decrease in the number of salmon.



# Chalker in drive to win Devon bypass approval

**By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent**

**A northern bypass around Okehampton in mid-Devon, would take three times as long to complete as the controversial southern link, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State for Transport, said yesterday.**

**"It should be as invisible as the railway is", she said at the start of an unusual government publicity drive concerning the bypass. A northern road would be much more conspicuous and would be no less bitterly contested, she said. It would take much longer to build because at least 13 serious alternatives had been put forward. All were similar, but would have to be investigated.**

**She rejected claims that the Government had committed a constitutional outrage by overriding the decision of a rarely convened parliamentary committee which had voted for a northern bypass.**

**A Bill allowing the southern link will soon be published. Even though it covers only a small patch of countryside it promises to be one of the hardest-fought measures of the new Parliament.**

**The Government has taken the unusual step of mounting a lavish exhibition of maps and photographs of the proposed bypass routes. It will be open to the public at the department's Westminster headquarters from Monday to Wednesday next week.**

**Local communities are split between those who want the road as fast as possible for commercial reasons and those who regard the southern link as a dangerous precedent because it would cut through Dartmoor national park.**

**If the southern route were built, it would end one of the worst remaining bottlenecks in the West in time for the 1989 holiday season. Mrs Chalker said that a northern link could be postponed for a further five or six years.**

**Any northern road would have to be built on an embankment in open countryside and would need a much larger viaduct than the Government's chosen southern route. "It is lovely rolling countryside in which it is extremely difficult to hide a road", Mrs Chalker said.**

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### Thatcher intervention seen as error

# French believe British pressure for Ptarmigan backfired

*From Diana Geddes, Paris*

The French believe they won the $4.3 bilion (£3 billion) contract for a new US battlefield communications network not just because their Rita system was cheaper – and, they believe, better – than the British Ptarmigan system, but also because of a series of mistakes made by the British in their approach to the Americans. These included what the French see as the crowning "gaffe" of Mrs Margaret Thatcher's personal intervention.

"Britain seems to have forgotten that the US is not Patagonia. When you work with a person or a country, you follow the rules of that country. The British made a major mistake in trying to put political pressure on the US. Many senior American officials were very angry about Mrs Thatcher's letter to President Reagan," one senior French source said yesterday.

There was absolutely no political intervention by the French he insisted. France simply appeared to have done its homework better than the British. For a start, Thomson CSF, the nationalized French electronics and defence company which, together with its American partner, the GTE Corporation, won the deal, took care to adapt its Rita system to suit American needs.

It chose to present a package in which there was relatively little transfer of French technology and, conversely, a maximum use of existing US military equipment, which meant that US Army training and maintenance costs could be kept to a minimum, the source said. Plessey, on the other hand, had presented a package which was almost entirely based on new British Technology and equipment.

Thomson chose its American partner, GTE, solely on the basis of competence. It had no previous experience of co-operating with big American companies operating in the military communications field, and so had no built-in prejudices

Despite French anger at what they considered to be some very "dirty dealing" by the British over the contract, there has been surprisingly little smugness now that the deal has finally gone to the French – as they always thought it would. Indeed, the affair has excited much less interest here than in Britain. Several newspapers did not even bother to report the French success on their front pages.

In a brief allusion to Mrs Thatcher's intervention, M Paul Quilès, the Defence Minister, commented: "The decision was taken in spite of competition which was unsparing in its efforts to exclude us from the market. We never doubted that the Americans would make an entirely objective choice."

Thomson CSF expects to get $1 billion of the $4.3 billion contract, the rest going to the GTE Corporation. Perhaps of even greater importance in France in the long-term, however, is the boost given by the deal in international markets to the Rita system in particular and French advanced technology in general.

In a front-page article on Wednesday, *Le Monde* suggested that President Reagan had tried to soften the blow of the loss of the contract to his British ally by intervening directly on Britain's behalf to clinch the Saudi Arabian contract for the British Tornado fighter aircraft in preference to the French Mirage 2000. The paper also suggested that Britain will be given important American Star Wars contracts as part of the consolation "payoff".

# Reagan tries to mollify UK

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

**The United States is trying to mollify Britain for its loss of the ptarmigan contract by holding out the prospect of a substantial role in President Reagan's Star Wars research programme. Mr Reagan has written to Mr Margaret Thatcher expressing regret that Britain lost the deal but explaining that the Frenc system was far cheaper.**

**The staggering difference in price for a new communications system for the Army is one of the more mysterious elements of the intense competition between Plessey of Britain and Thomson of France for the deal. At $4.3 billion (£3 billion), the French bid to supply its Rita system was $3.1 billion cheaper than Britain's ptarmigan. For some time the sort of figures the French were proposing were an open secret in Washington, which makes it even more surprising that Britain was so massively out of line.**

**One view being expressed on Capitol Hill is that the British pricing was "honest," while France might come back later with supplementary requests for additional payments, even though the current contract contains fixed-price provisions.**

**Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Defence Secretary, yesterday offered tight financial controls to guard against overruns by the French consortium of Thomson-CSF Electronics and the American GTE Corporation.**

**Senior British officials say that Thomson and Plessey were working to different specifications in their respective Rita and Ptarmagin systems, and the Ptarmigan was far more substantial and sophisticated than Rita. But American analysts concluded that the systems were of "equal performance capabilities."**

**Despite reports to the contrary from Paris, Washington sources say France waged a *subtle lobbying campaign* on Capitol Hill for the Rita system. French officials, Congressional sources say, told US diplomats bluntly in Paris that bypassing the lower Thomson-STE offer would damage bilateral relations. The Pentagon insisted that the decision to choose Rita was based entirely on cost.**

**Mr Arnold Rosenberg, Plessey's US defence consultant, said in an interview published here that "there's absolutely no way" that the French system could cost $3 billion less than Britain's. He predicted that the French consortium would increase the price with contract changes.**

Mr Vitaly Yurchenko, the alleged KGB double defector, boarding an Aeroflot flight in Washington for Moscow.

# Slow pace at Geneva disappoints US team

**Geneva – "We would have preferred to be further along towards agreement", Mr Max Kampelman, the head of the US team said yesterday at the end of the third round of negotiations with the Soviet Union on controlling nuclear and space weapons (Alan McGregor writes).**

**He described the Soviet "counter-proposal" to proposals he first put forward by the US when the talks opened March containing "seeds to nurture", though some aspects were one-sided and unacceptable.**

**The US response proposing a limit of 4,500 strategic missile warheads for each side – was "serious, balanced, comprehensive and important". It represented the most hopeful path to progress, he said.**

**He believed the six-day extension of the present round for the purpose of discussing the American proposals had been useful.**

**Mr Kampelman, who is returning to Washington to report to President Reagan, made no reference to the forthcoming Geneva summit.**

## Back to work

Brussels (Reutsr) – Belgian mine unions suspended a pit strike pending the outcome of fresh talks with management on the industry's future.

# Japan defies EEC appeal for limit on exports

Tokyo – Japan has turned down an EEC request that it set an overall limit on its exports to the community (David Watts writes).

The suggestion was made in a strongly critical statement on October 22 in advance of an EEC ministerial meeting in Japan which begins on November 18.

A Japanese Foreign Ministry official said it was not possible to accept any quantitative import target whatsoever. He hoped there would be agreement at the meeting on a more constructive relationship for the future.

## Stranger leaves woman £70,000

Melbourne (Reuter) – One dance with a lonely soldier 45 years ago has brought an Australian housewife about £70,000. "There was never a hug or a kiss . . . I suppose I was simply a friend when he needed one," she said after lawyers tracked her down here to tell her she was the sole beneficiary. The man, who led a hermit's life, died three years ago.

## Dissident plea

Moscow (AFP) – Jewish dissident Mr Nahum Meiman, a member of a Helsinki monitoring group disbanded in 1982, has written to the Soviet leader, *Mr Mikhail Gorbachov*, asking for permission to emigrate to Israel with his wife, who is suffering from cancer.

## Theatre closed

Jerusalem (Reuter) – Israeli military authorities closed an Arab theatre in east Jerusalem to stop a meeting protesting against the expulsion of four Palestinians, describing it as an anti-Israeli gathering.

## Heroin haul

Kuala Lumpur (Reuter) – Three people were arrested after Malaysian police seized nearly 62lb of heroin in a raid on a house near here. The death sentence is mandatory for anyone caught with more than half an ounce.

## Luck runs out

San José, California (AFP) – A Mexican who won $2 million in the California lottery has been arrested by immigration officials after he admitted entering the US illegally.

## Drive for Gulf peace deal

Muscat, Oman (Reuter) – Leaders of six Arab Gulf states ended a three-day summit here and agreed to review contacts with both Iraq and Iran in a new effort to end their five-year-old war.

Mr Abdullah Bishara, Secretary-General of the Gulf Cooperation Council, which groups the six, said: "Various contacts will be taking place very soon with Iran and Iraq to find out if a proper climate exists to find and end to the war."

# Ethiopia rejects death toll report

Addis Ababa (AFP) – A senior Ethiopian relief official yesterday described as a "gross exaggeration" last weekend's report in *The Sunday Times* that at least 50,000 peasants in Ethiopia had died this year because of the Government's resettlement programme.

However, there was no denying that "thousands of untimely deaths take place" in a drought situation where nearly 10 million people have been affected, Mr Berhane Deressa, the country's deputy relief and rehabilitation commissioner, said.

The report by David Blunds had said the toll from the relocation programme could go as high as 100,000. He quoted a secret report from the Red Cross League as showing that people here being moved from the drought-stricken north to the more fertile south in appalling conditions.

"The peasants have lacked food, housing, tools, seed and medical facilities. Many people died in transit because they were sick and malnourished when they set out".

Yesterday Mr Berhave acknowledged that Ethipia's famine has been "one of the worst in recent history" and that therefore "no one can deny the toll on human life". But he accused *The Sunday Times* of being a party to a campaign aimed at discrediting efforts towards a durable solution to the drought problem.

Ethiopian authorities maintain the north is over-populated and its soil barren.

## Full strength for Reuters in Moscow again

**Moscow (Reuter) – Reuters Moscow bureau returned to full strength yesterday after the arrival of new correspondents to replace two who were ordered out during a dispute between Britain and the Soviet Union in September.**

**A total of 31 officials, journalists and businessmen were ordered out by each side in a diplomatic dispute that began when Britain expelled 25 Soviet personnel**

**Yesterday the Foreign Office said Moscow had agreed to allow the replacement of two diplomats and a member of the Embassy support staff.**

**Reuters Moscow bureau has five correspondents. Oliver Wates, who arrived yesterday and Helen Womack, who arrived last week, were the first journalists to receive visas to fill posts left vacant after the expulsion of six correspondents of British nationality**

# Signs of weariness in Kasparov's play

Moscow (Reuter) - Challenger Gary Kasparov, hit by a disastrous defeat in the last two encounters, started cautiously against the world chess champion, Anatoly Karpov in yesterday's crucial twenty-third game with the world chess title once again hanging in the balance.

Kasparov, aged 22, leads the 24-game series 11½ points to 10½, needing only one more win or two draws to become the youngest world chess champion in history.

The champion, clearly unhappy about playing on the Revolution Day holiday, entered the stage of Moscow's Tchaikovsky Hall to polite, but subdued applause.

Kasparov, favoured by the crowd throughout the marathon encounter, looked subdued and timid compared with his confident and almost swaggering gait at earlier games.

The 15,000-strong capacity crowd in the hall gave the challenger an enthusiastic reception.

Kasparov managed to maintain the slight superiority associated with the white pieces in the early stages of yesterday's struggle. But experts detected an uncharacteristic wariness in the challenger's play.

**Twenty-third game**

White Kasparov, Black Karpov

**Queen's Gambit Declined**

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| 7 | P-K3 | O-O | 8 | R-B1 | P-B3 |
| 9 | B-Q3 | N-Q2 | 10 | O-O | PxP |
| 11 | BxP | P-K4 | 12 | P-KR3 | PxP |
| 13 | PxP | N-N3 | 14 | B-N3 | R-K1 |
| 15 | R-K1 | B-B4 | 16 | RxRch | Q-R |
| 17 | Q-Q2 | Q-Q2 | 18 | R-K1 | R-Q1 |
| 19 | Q-B4 | N-Q4 | 20 | NxN | PxN |
| 21 | N-K5 | BxN | 22 | RxB | B-K3 |
| 23 | Q-K3 | K-B1 | 24 | Q-Q3 | P-B3 |
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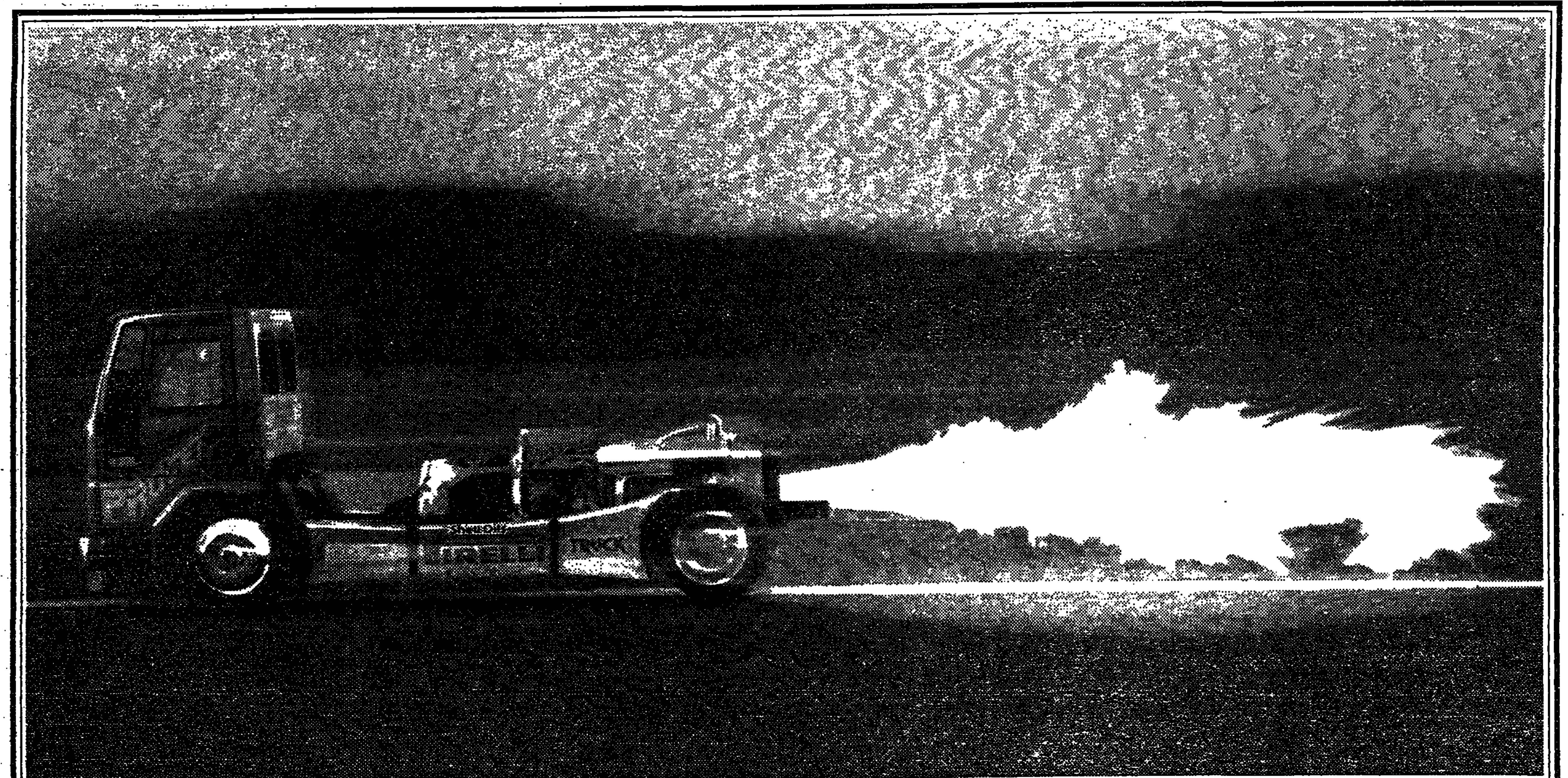

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# Botha challenged by Boesak over clamp on reporting of unrest

**From Michael Hornsby**
**Johannesburg**

A leading church opponent of the South African Government, Dr Allan Boesak, has challenged President Botha to say why he had imposed controls on media coverage of unrest.

Speaking to a crowd of 2,000 at Hazendal near Cape Town, Dr Boesak said: "Instead of withdrawing the police and Army (from the black and Coloured townships), they ban the media so that they can kill in peace."

Dr Boesak, who is facing trial next year on various charges under the Internal Security Act, recently had his bail conditions relaxed, permitting him to address public meetings, provided he does not speak in favour of school and consumer boycotts or economic disinvestment.

The Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Stoffel Botha, has, however, withdrawn Dr Boesak's passport, though the magistrate who relaxed his bail conditions ruled that he should be free to travel abroad. The magistrate said Dr Boesak was a man of high political morals who would not try to evade trial.

## Petrol goes up

**South Africa announced a 6 per cent rise in petrol prices yesterday which could push the ailing economy into record inflation by the end of the year (Reuter reports).**

**The Energy Minister, Mr Danie Steyn, blamed the increase on the rand's plunge against the dollar and said there might have to be another increase in the new year. The present rise will, with earlier increases, make petrol about 60 per cent dearer than at the start of the year.**

Meanwhile, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Ron Miller, has announced that the Government is prepared to talk to "men of influence" such as Dr Boesak, who is president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, and the Rt Rev Desmond Tutu, Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg.

Mr Miller said the Government was not prepared to talk to them "on a one-to-one basis but rather round a negotiating table" at which leaders of other communities were also represented. The Government, however, would not be prepared to discuss "one-man-one-vote within a unitary state".

● **PORT ELIZABETH:** A black consumer boycott that has crippled white businesses for four months is to be suspended for two weeks.

The boycott, regarded as the most successful peaceful protest by black South Africans, has been suspended after an apparent deal on Tuesday between the white business community and the local security forces, who are expected to announce their concession to some of the boycotters' demands.

● **WASHINGTON:** President Reagan told Mr Herbert Beukes, the new South African Ambassador, in sharp remarks, that Pretoria must start negotiations with its opponents on dismantling the country's apartheid system.

The President, who was accepting the Ambassador's credentials at the White House on Wednesday said: "I must tell you, Mr Ambassador, that the American people can never condone racism anywhere, least of all in a country that professes to be Western in its outlook. I count on your Government to take the lead in beginning negotiations that will lead to a political system based on the consent of all those governed."

Mr Yassir Arafat and President Mubarak watching an air display yesterday during the PLO leader's visit to Egypt

**Ambiguous pledge**

# Arafat promises to punish terrorists

**From Robert Fisk**
**Beirut**

In a dramatic, if belated, effort to rehabilitate the image of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Mr Yassir Arafat, its chairman, yesterday promised to punish any PLO member who committed an act of terrorism and said that the PLO denounced and condemns all terrorist acts, whether those by countries or by persons or groups, against unarmed civilians in any place.

Mr Arafat's unexpected announcement followed two days of talks with President Mubarak of Egypt, and was intended to repair the political damage caused by the hijacking of the Italian cruise liner *Achille Lauro* by four PLO gunmen last month. It also appeared to satisfy one of the two conditions which the Americans have laid down for direct talks with the PLO – the renunciation of violence.

But the PLO leader made no reference to attacks against targets inside Israel and the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Nor did he go any way towards meeting Washington's second condition: the formal recognition of Israel as a sovereign state. The implications of his statement will no doubt by studied in Washington.

Mr Arafat spoke in Arabic and there was, on the face of it, no ambivalence about the words he used. He denounced *Amaliat Irhabia* which does literally translate as "terrorist operations". Nor could there be much doubt that his condemnation of "countries" which commited such acts was meant to include Israel. What was less specific, however, was another sentence in his statement.

"The PLO," he said, "reiterates the right of the Palestinian people to fight against the Israeli occupation in all possible ways with the aim of the withdrawal of the Israelis from these lands. The PLO reiterates its 1974 decision to condemn all outside operations and all forms of terrorism . . . The PLO as of today will take all punitive measures against violators."

The point is that Israel always regards PLO attacks inside occupied territory as "terrorism". Despite claims to the contrary, PLO guerrillas in the West Bank have often killed and wounded civilians.

## Israel unimpressed

**Jerusalem: Mr Yassir Arafat's statement did nothing to change Israel's mind that the PLO is a terrorist organization.**

**The *Foreign Ministry said:* "As far as we are concerned it means that they are going to go on carrying out terrorism against innocent people. There is nothing new in that."**

**The Italian chargaé d'affaires in Tel Aviv, Signor Francesco Vantone, has meanwhile been summoned to the Foreign Ministry to be told that a speech by the Prime Minister, Signor Bettino Craxi, in which he said he *did* not contest the legitimacy of the PLO's armed struggle, was nothing but an encouragement to terrorists.**

# Trial date set for hijackers of liner

Genoa (Reuter) – Magistrates investigating the Achille Lauro case hope to put the ship's four hijackers on trial by November 20.

Signor Luigi Carli, one of the magistrates, said the four would first face charges of possessing weapons. Charges of hijacking, acts of terrorism and the murder of American Leon Klinghoffer would be heard later.

## Minister quits after bus crash

Delhi (Reuter, AP) – The Minister of Transport in Himachal Pradesh resigned after a bus crash which killed 51 people.

The bus swerved off a northern mountain road and plunged into a ravine in one of India's worst road accidents. Police said many of the victims were children. In a second accident two buses collided in Punjab yesterday killing three people.

## Morán for UN

Madrid. – Señor Fernando Morán, Spain's Foreign Minister until last July, will be his country's representative to the UN, succeeding Señor Jaine Pinies, who had been head of mission in new York since he was first sent there by Franco.

## Envoy to China

Washington (Reuter) – The Senate overwhelmingly confirmed Mr Winston Lord as Ambassador to China after President Reagan's nomination had been stalled for several weeks by conservative Senator Jesse Helms.

## Pre-teen sex

The Hague (AP) – The Dutch Government has proposed lowering the age of sexual consent from 16 to 12 years. If it became law it would be legal for adults to have sex with minors as young as 12, provided the minor had not been coerced or seduced with gifts or promises.

## Strikers killed

Dhaka (Reuter) – Security forces shot dead two people when they opened fire on striking workers who refused to leave Bangladesh's biggest jute mill. The shootings led to a call for a strike at all 69 jute plants on Sunday.

# Guinea Bissau claims it foiled coup plot

*Banjul (Reuter) – The West* African state of Guinea Bissau has foiled a plot to overthrow President Joao Bernaroo Vieira and arrested the plot leader. Vice-President Paulo Correia. Bissau radio reported yesterday.

The state radio, monitored in nearby Gambia, quoted four officials arrested in connection with the plot as saying that Mr Correia intended to overthrow President Vieira because of "irregularities" in the former Portuguese colony.

A senior Guinea Bissau Army official, Colonel Lamine Cisse, was arrested on Wednesday night for trying to assist Vice-President Correia in the reported plot, the radio said.

It named other officials arrested as Mr Tue Nambanga, commander of the elite November 14 tank brigade, the military police commander, Mr Tagme Nawae, and the head of the presidential household

Vice-President Correia engineered the coup that ousted former President Luis Cabral.

**Ordeal of Briton who revealed price fixing**

# One man's battle against Swiss drug giant

For 12 years Mr Stanley Adams has been Europe's most celebrated industrial "mole" – the man who lost nearly everything but doggedly refused to give in.

During his battle with the Swiss pharmaceutical giant Hoffman-La Roche and the EEC, personal misfortunes surrounded all his efforts. He was jailed twice, his first wife committed suicide, and a business venture collapsed in Italy.

Yet he has maintained throughout that he has no regrets about his decision to speak out about Hoffman-La Roche's activities.

Born in Malta and educated at London University and Oxford, he joined Hoffman-La Roche in 1964.

He immediately made his mark at the company, but quickly became disillusioned with its unfair trading practices.

At first he felt powerless to act, as he was certain the Swiss Government would ignore one individual making a case against one of the country's biggest employers. However, in December 1972 Switzerland ratified a free-trade agreement with the EEC, which tied its companies to EEC trade rules.

Mr Adams discussed the problem with his wife Marilene and decided to report Hoffman-La Roche and 21 other multinational companies to the EEC's competition directorate, known as DG4, claiming they had broken part of the Rome Treaty, which forbids companies to "abuse a dominant position in the market".

He cited examples of riboflavin (Vitamin B2), produced by Hoffman-La Roche for $6 (£4) a kilogram (2.2 lb), being sold for $33, and ascorbic acid (Vitamin C) costing $1 a kilogram to produce being sold for $5.5 outside the US, where the price was $3.80.

He agreed to EEC requests to produce internal documents to support his allegations, but enphasized that his identity must never be disclosed.

Hoffman-La Roche's offices in Brussels and Paris were raided by DG4 in October, 1974, and Mr Adams maintains the documents he had handed over were shown to the company's managers.

His ordeal began on New Year's Eve, 1974, as he was taking his family to visit his wife's sister in Switzerland. He was arrested at the frontier and after two days' interrogation was charged with giving economic information to a foreign power, and held in Lugano prison.

The authorities warned him against explaining to his wife why he had been arrested. She became increasingly disturbed.

On January 11, 1975, Mr Adams was told his wife was dead. She had hanged herself.

Mr Adams was refused permission to attend her funeral. Throughout this time, DG4 was unaware of what had happened to him. Eventually four fellow-prisoners contacted the EEC after their release.

Pressure was put on the Swiss, yet it was three months before Mr Adams was released on bail. The Director-General of DG4, Herr Willi Schleider, warned him to get out of Switzerland as quickly as he could, and he jumped bail eight months later.

In July, 1976, Mr Adams was tried in his absence and found guilty of persistent economic espionage. He was given a 12-month suspended sentence.

The EEC fined Hoffman-La Roche about £280,000, which was reduced to £150,000 by the European Court of Justice.

Mr Adams returned to Italy, but when his farming project ran into difficulties, he was arrested and spent 54 days in jail in 1979-80 on fraud charges before winning his release.

In 1981 he sought refure in Britain with his three daughters.

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# Floods cut off drinking water in Washington

**From Trevor Fishlock, New York**

**The death toll in the American floods rose to 36 yesterday, with more than 40 people missing. There was a flood alert in Washington as the level of the Potomac rose. Damage in four states ran into hundreds of millions of dollars.**

**With water everywhere, there was nevertheless a shortage of drinking water. Usual supplies were contaminated with sewage, chemicals and dead animals. People were ordered to boil their water, and dairies were asked by the authorities to provide water in cartons.**

**Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Maryland have been hit by four days of heavy rain, the final fling of Hurricane Juan. Hundreds of homes and businesses are submerged. Many houses have been swept away. More than 2,000 people remain homeless.**

**A state of emergency was declared in Richmond, Virginia, as the James river, in full spate, threatened the central area and a main highway. Sandbag walls were built as the National Weather Service predicted the river would rise 20ft above the normal flood level.**

**The Georgetown area of Washington was threatened as the Potomac rose steadily throughout the day. The Lincoln, Jefferson and Washington monuments were closed to tourists.**

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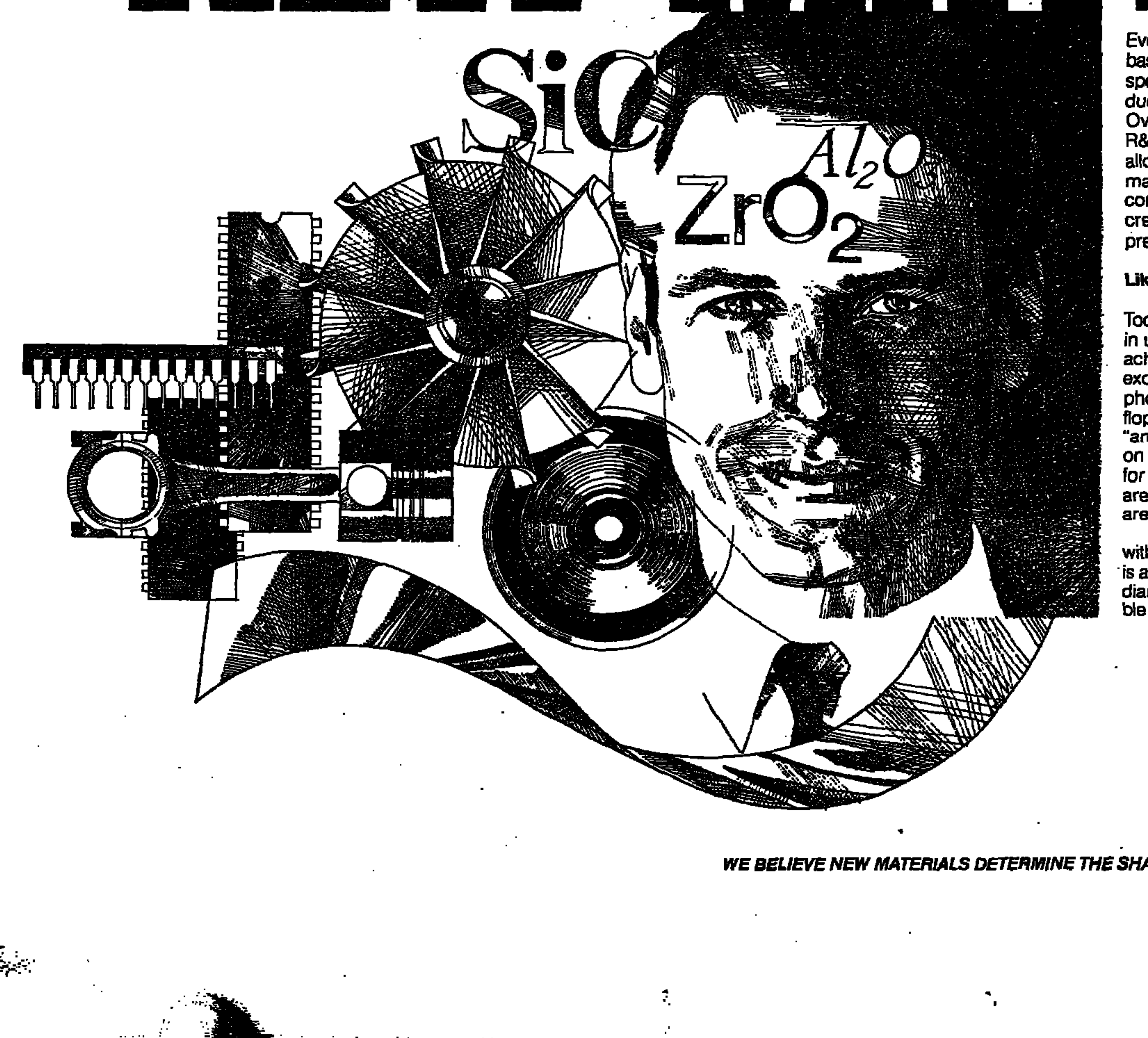

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### Commentary

**Geoffrey Smith**

Washington politics are dominated at the moment, apart from the preparations for the Reagan-Gorbachov summit, by a piece of legislation that is both bizarre and illuminating. The details are complex, but the essence is simple.

Having failed for years to take effective action on the budget deficit, the politicians are now preparing to pass a law to force themselves to do what they could do at any time without any law but have deliberately refused to do for the past few years.

Because they have lacked the will they are now seeking to restrict their own freedom of action. That is bizarre.

It is being done by attaching an amendment to a Bill raising the ceiling for government debt, which has to be passed through if the government continue to function. This amendment, usually known as the Gramm-Rudman scheme, would impose progressively lower legal limits on the deficit for succeeding years until the budget is balanced by 1991.

### Capitol Hill divided over bizarre Bill

The plan is widely criticized by expert opinion in Washington, and there can be no certainty that it will pass at all because of disagreements between the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Yet it is illuminating that there should be so much support for the broad concept of such a legislative straitjacket. It is in the first place an indication of political desperation over the budget deficit.

This anxiety is not felt quite so intensely around the country as many people suppose. Although it is the issue causing most widespread public concern, no more than 13 per cent of people put it top of the list of national problems in a private poll just conducted for the Administration. In other words, public worry is not concentrated upon any single issue.

Nonetheless, there is a general fear that such a large deficit ensures high interest rates which in turn threaten a downturn in the economy. Certainly the politicians believe that action is overdue.

The initiative has been taken now by Senate Republicans largely from a basis of frustration with President Reagan himself. In mid-summer he rejected two packages in turn: the first because it would have frozen social security cost-of-living allowances, which he felt would have infringed a commitment of his; the second because it included an oil import surcharge, which he dismissed as revenue-raising rather than cost-cutting. Unless he is put in a legislative straitjacket, many Republicans believe that he will never take the harsh decisions that are required.

Many Democrats have accepted the concept of a new law because they do not want to appear lacking in rigour on the budget. As practical politicians they judge that the prevailing political winds in the United States are still conservative.

### Kennedy backing for measure

It is significant that Democrats with such a liberal reputation as Senator Edward Kennedy and Senator Christopher Dodd have supported the measure. They consider it to be in their political interest to move back towards the centre.

The President is going along with the proposal because he thinks it will serve his interests in a different way. He probably knows that ultimately he will have to put up taxes, but he is determined to squeeze domestic spending as much as possible before he agrees to do so. The new law is seen as the best means available of forcing Congress to accept domestic spending cuts in the meantime.

Not all his advisers share this attitude. As Defence Secretary, Mr Caspar Weinberger fears that it may force arbitrary cuts in his field. Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, has objected to the procedure of attaching such a measure to a debt ceiling Bill and probably disapproves of the substance as well.

But White House thinking is that at some point there will have to be a compromise with Congress to decide the share of the burden in correcting the deficit to be borne by defence cuts, social security cuts and ultimately higher taxes. The new law should force this confrontation with reality.

Few people believe that it will ever lead to a balanced budget, but the controversy reveals a lot about American politics today.

# Big changes expected as Poland's new Premier prepares team

**From Roger Boyes**
**Warsaw**

The new Prime Minister of Poland, Professor Zbigniew Messner, was yesterday putting the finishing touches to the government programme and line-up that he is to announce next week.

Most Poles show only a scientific curiosity ("What will they get up to next?") about the resignation, and elevation (to a kind of President-in-waiting), of General Jaruzelski, but there have been gratifying signs of activity in the government district of Warsaw, where official cars transport briefcases, and somtimes people, from one urgent confrence to another.

The rumour bourse has been bullish for the past month but even the anxious *chefs de cabinet*, scenting unemployment and touting for new patrons, had not expected such a shake-up.

The whole of the upper reaches of government have been affected – almost all the eight deputy prime ministers have been moved (up, down, but mostly sideways) – and Tuesday's announcement will set in motion changes in economic management, in foreign trade, in propaganda, in the culture and health ministries, perhaps also in foreign affairs.

This is General Jaruzelski's Night of The Long Knives, his first real opportunity in four and half years, and the main beneficiary, 56-year-old Professor Messner, is unmistakably the general's man. He appears to be a technocrat rather than a zealous reformer, a man who looks for practical solutions rather than dreaming up liberal blueprints for Poland.

Reformers are not encouraged by Professor Messner's recent comments at the Katowice steelworks. There, on his home-ground, he defended plans for merging about 60 steel mills with metal-processing companies to form one huge industrial combine.

Worker co-management councils think that this will extinguish the last spark of industrial democracy, while academic economists think it is a retreat from the principles of decentralizing the economy, encouraging profitability and the cautious play of market forces.

If Professor Messner is prepared to let that happen to steel, it is only a short step towards creating monopolies in the electronics sector, and the reform programme will unravel.

His Government will have a number of priorities: improving productivity, streamling the engineering industry, enforcing worker discipline, making propaganda sharper-edged and more aggressively socialist while at the same time easing censorship in some cultural fields, boosting consumer supplies, and dismantling the rationing system.

As is now well known, Professor Messner broke his back a year ago when a wild boar crashed into the windscreen of his official car. He will have to conserve his energy and delegate.

But this fits well enough into General Jaruzelski's master plan.

**KEY DATES**

**Born 1928; graduated in foreign trade and economics, Katowice Economics Academy 1951; joined Communist party 1953; rector of Katowice academy 1975–82; elected to *Central Committee and Politburo* 1981; became Katowice party chief, made Deputy Prime Minister and put in charge of management of economy 1982.**

Professor Messner: very much Jaruzelski's man

### Origins of M-19

# Bogotá siege revives fear of civil war

**From Geoffrey Matthews**
**Bogotá**

The April 19 Movement (M-19) takes its name from the date of the 1970 presidential election, at which, many Colombians are convinced, ballot-rigging by the Liberal and Conservative political establishments robbed a populist Perón-style alliance of victory.

Formed three years later, the movement vowed to fight to restore democracy. One of its first acts was to steal Simón Bolivar's sword from a Bogotá museum, deeming the ruling oligarchy unfit to be guardians of such a relic.

However, with the siege of the Palace of Justice in Bogotá this week, M-19 has recalled another, even more traumatic April date in modern Colombian history, April 9, 1948.

On that day Jorge Eliecer Gaitán was asssassinated. He had risen from working-class origins to become the populist left-wing leader of the Liberal Party. He was a spell-binding orator and much-loved man – a shoo-in, everyone agreed, at the next presidential election.

His murder by a madman triggered what came to be known as *el Bogotazo*, a week of riots which left the city centre in smouldering ruins and 5,000 dead, and took Colombia to the brink of revolution. Indeed, a young student from Cuba briefly visiting Bogota at the time has since often observed: "I was blooded in revolution in Bogota on April 9, 1948." His name: Fidel Castro.

Revolution did not occur. Instead, there was a collapse of order, and a decade of civil conflict erupted known as *La Violencia*, it was between Liberals and Conservatives, mainly fought in the countryside. An estimated 300,000 people were killed.

There are fears in Bogota now that M-19's latest action could plunge the country into another civil war.

M-19 has always been strong on populism and vague on ideology. it has had links with Colonel Gadaffi of Libya and Dr Castro, and with Colombia's cocaine barons.

Its previous most spectacular action was the takeover of the Dominican Republic's embassy in Bogota in 1980, when it held most of the city's foreign diplomatic corps hostage for two months to bring international attention to violations of human rights under the Liberal government.

A year later Colombia broke off diplomatic relations with Cuba after a big M-19 uprising. The Government said the guerrillas had been trained in Cuba.

# Air India case police raid homes of Sikhs

Ottawa – Police investigating the crash of the Air India flight in the Atlantic in June have carried out a series of raids on the homes of Sikhs living in Vancouver (John Best writes.) At least one man was arrested and goods were seized in the raids on Wednesday night.

The plane went down off the south coast of Ireland on a flight from Montreal to India via London. All 329 people on board most of them Canadians born in India, were killed.

There have been suggestions that the crash might have been caused by a bomb placed on the aircraft by Sikh extremists campaigning for an independent Sikh homeland in Punjab.

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Paris-based journalists at Agence France-Presse deciding yesterday to extend their pay strike pending a ballot to consider whether the action should spread worldwide.

# Judge orders end to US spy trial

**From Ivor Davis**
**Los Angeles**

A US district judge yesterday declared a mistrial in the espionage case of Richard Miller, the first Federal Bureau of Investigation agent ever charged with spying, after the jurors admitted they were "hopelessly deadlocked".

The ruling came after the jury had deliberated for 14 days and the foreman said their last vote showed them deadlocked 10 to two for conviction on the three most serious espionage charges, and 11 to one for conviction on four other spy counts.

Rejecting the prosecution's demands that he order the jury to continue deliberating, Judge David Kenyon noted: "If we push these people any further in terms of asking them to stay, we run the clear risk of getting a verdict not based on the right reasons".

The mistrial was seen as a big blow against the Government which had pressed for conviction since the trial began on August 6. The ruling followed the earlier convictions of the accused co-conspirators in the alleged spy plot, the Russian emigrés Svetlana and Nikolai Ogorodnikov.

Mr William Webster, Director of the FBI, had called the case an embarrassing chapter in the FBI's history

US Attorney, Mr Robert Bonner, who headed the prosecution, said that Miller, aged 48, who is in custody, will be retried on the same seven espionage counts accusing him of passing secret FBI documents to the Soviet Union.

# Union links cost 1,600 Indonesians their jobs

**From Our Correspondent**
**Jakarta**

Indonesia's Labour Minister confirmed yesterday that more than 1,600 people suspected of past affiliations with a communist trade union had been dismissed from oil companies in Indonesia and gave a warning that the dismissals could continue in other sectors and could reach 6,000.

The statement by the Minister, Mr Sudomo, was carried by the national news agency, Antara.

Oil company sources in Jakarta said they estimated dismissals in the oil sector alone had already reached 2,000 and includes young and old, experienced engineers and unskilled labourers. The sources said that in some cases an employee had a family member associated with the 20-year-old union, which was banned with the Indonesian Communist Party in 1965 following an abortive communist-backed coup.

A spokesman for the Indonesian state oil company Pertamina said that he thought the dismissals had "almost finished", but added: "who knows?" The dismissals were ordered by the state security agency, Kopkantib, and not by the state oil company, which had lost some 960 employees in the purge.

Mr Sudomo, did not specify which other sectors might be affected by the purge.

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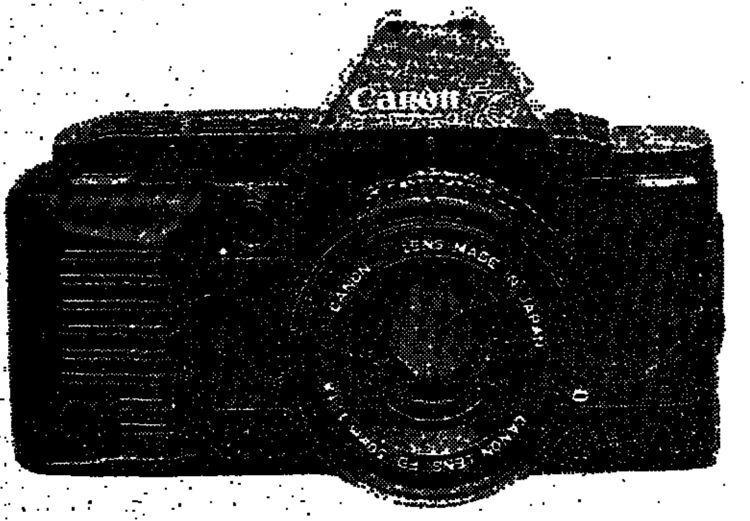

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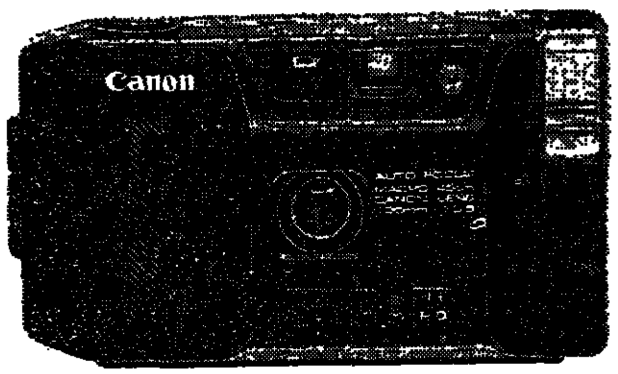

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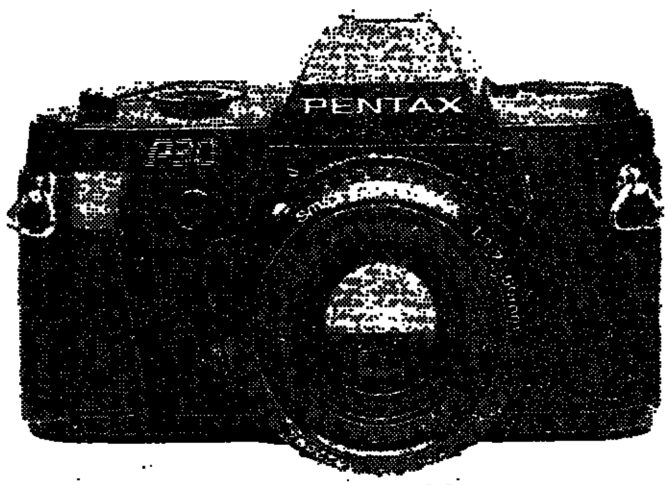

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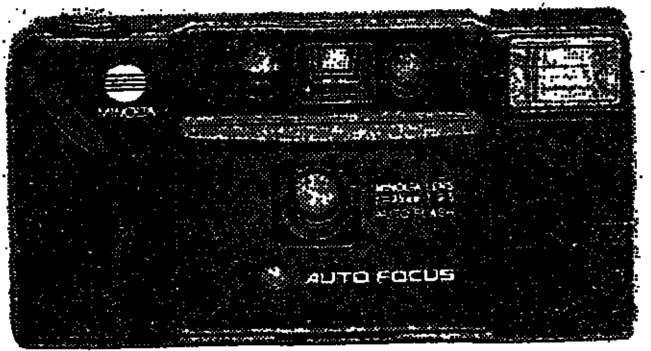

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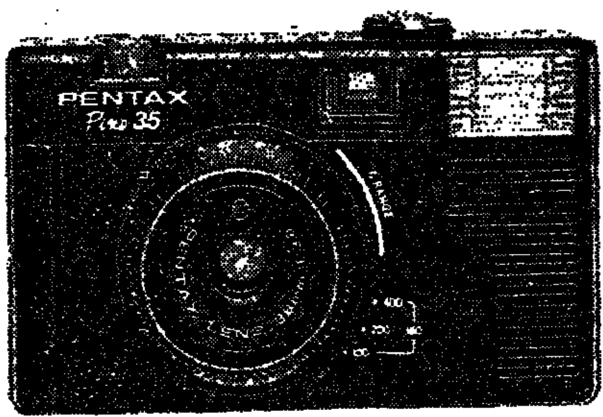

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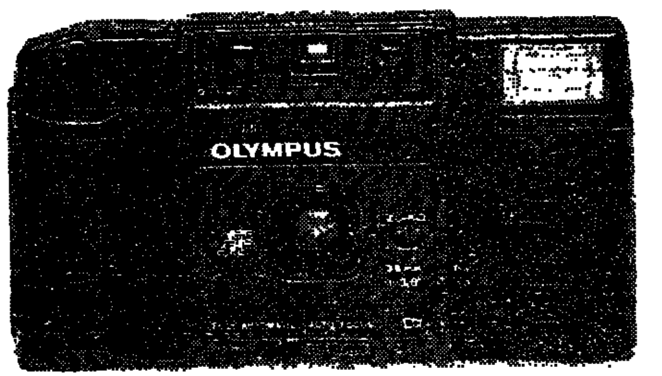

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# Soviet fighters sent up as plane strays near scene of air tragedy

**From David Watts, Tokyo**

Soviet jet fighters were sent up when a Japanese jumbo jet strayed off course near the point where a Korean Air Lines plane was shot down with the loss of 269 lives two years ago.

The Japan Air Lines Boeing 747 was on a flight from Toykyo to Paris via Moscow last Thursday when the incident happened. The aircraft was some 60 miles off its correct track, between the coast of the Soviet mainland and the island of Sakhalin, when the jets were "scrambled" in what could easily have been a repeat of the tragedy when Soviet fighters shot down the Korean aircraft only 80 miles from the area where the Japanese plane corrected its course.

Since the Korean Air Lines incident the Soviet Union, Japan and the United States have agreed on the establishment of a hot-line contact system to prevent a recurrence of that tragedy in what is a very sensitive strategic area, but it has not yet been implemented.

The Japan Air Lines incident brought strong criticism from the Government, and the Chief Cabinet Secretary, Mr Takeo Fujinami, called it "deplorable".

The Japanese Foreign Ministry at first admitted that Soviet jets had been "scrambled" but later in an agreed statement with the Defence Agency and the Ministry of Transport, said the aircraft were of "unknown nationality". It is believed that the jets did not approach within sight of the Boeing 747. The Japanese Government's caution appears to be dictated by a desire for better relations with Moscow.

NHK, Japan's equivalent of the BBC, said Soviet jets approached from either side of the airliner.

The Japanese Jumbo went off course not long after leaving the coast of Japan, north-west of Sado island. The pilot Captain Morihiko Nishioka, sighted a turbulent cloud in front of the aircraft and switched over from the computer-controlled Initial Navigation System (INS) to a magnetic heading. After negotiating the plane's way around the turbulence he forgot to re-engage the ins.

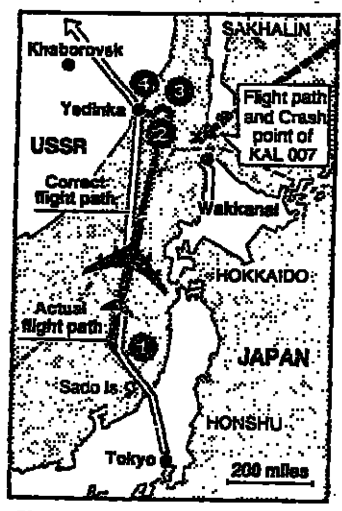
Due to a strong westerly wind the aircraft then began to drift off to the east. The crew did not notice any deviation from their prescribed route for several hundred miles until they confirmed their position with the Yedinka navigational checkpoint on the Soviet coast.

A Japanese military radar station at Wakkanai in the north had by this time noticed that the plane was off course and was trying to reach the pilot on the international emergency radio frequency for civil aircraft. The radar controllers could get no reply from the pilot. An investigation is to to held into why there was no response from Captain Nishioka.

It appears that all the aircraft's radio equipment was being used at that moment to try to make contact with the air traffic control centre at Khabarovsk to warn the Soviet controllers that the plane was off course and to seek permission to change direction to the correct flight path. It took several attempts to raise the Khabarovsk controllers but they finally gave clearance.

At a press conference yesterday Captain Nishioka said it was due to his inattention that they did not go back onto INS.

The incident is yet another blow to Japan Airlines which has come under heavy criticism from the Government since the Jumbo crash in August in which 524 people were killed. The airline's senior management is being reshuffled while revenue for the April-September period was 16 billion yen (£48 million) below expectations amid a sharp fall-off in domestic passenger traffic.



**Key: 1. pilot manoeuvres to avoid cloud. 2. crew realize they are off course. 3. jet turns towards correct heading. 4. it reaches correct flight path**

# Rebels say ceasefire broken

**From Michael Hamlyn
Delhi**

Talks aimed at resolving Sri Lanka's ethnic crisis got under way again yesterday in Delhi with a clamour from Tamil militants about ceasefire violations by government forces in the north and east of the island.

The militants of the Eelam National Liberation Front (ENLF), a group of four rebel organizations, have put forward a paper to the Indian Foreign Secretary, Mr Romesh Bhandari, listing the sins of the Government since the ceasefire was first announced before talks in the Bhutan capital, Thimpu, in the summer.

At the same time the Indian Government is anxious that the talks at Hyderabad House, the former Nizam of Hyderabad's Delhi palace, should move on to substantive discussion of the paper put forward by Sri Lankan officials.

## Ten die in village

**Colombo – Tamil separatist guerrillas yesterday attacked a Sinhalese village in the Trincomalee district, killing at least 10 civilians. Police reports said that the guerrillas burnt down all 30 houses in the village of Morawewa.**

**The guerrillas attacked the village with bombs and shot at the fleeing villagers, a police officer said. Landmines laid by the guerrillas on the roads leading to Morawewa delayed security forces in entering the village. A van carrying passengers was blown up near the village by a mine killing three people and wounding two.**

The militants appear to be unwilling to do so at present, preferring to concentrate on the Government's ceasefire violations, and drawing attention to the statement by President Jayewardene that he would "crush" the uprising within a year.

After a two-hour meeting at Hyderabad House with all the Tamil parties, Mr Bhandari, the senior civil servant in the Indian Ministry of External Affairs, began meeting them individually.

The militants are unwilling to put forward any kind of proposals of their own for settlement of the crisis, preferring to demand another set from the Government which would be more in line with their demands for a homeland of their own. However, the more moderate politicians of the Tamil United Liberation Front (TULF) have drawn up a 20-page document of their own for discussion.

Indian government officials have made it clear to me recently that the peace drive in Sri Lanka will not be allowed to fail easily.

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The Princess of Wales, wearing a hard hat, chats to a worker with a T-shirt wrapped round his head on the site of the new parliament house in Canberra.

# 600 held in wave of Chile riots

Santiago (Reuter) – Demonstrators manning barricades of rocks, rubbish and burning tyres defied police and troops in Santiago during a second night of protests in which three people were shot dead, at least 40 injured and 600 arrested.

Police sources said a woman, aged 21, was shot dead from a passing vehicle during disturbances in the poor district of Pudahuel. Witnesses said a young man was killed in a clash with soldiers in the city.

Another 11 people were treated for bullet wounds, four of them from the working-class district of La Victoria, where 13 demonstrators and 10 members of the security forces were injured.

Roman Catholic Church sources in the district said police and Air Force troops opened fire from armoured cars in the narrow streets while a police helicopter showered tear gas grenades on houses below.

Sporadic clashes were reported elsewhere in the city, parts of which were blacked out for the second consecutive night by attacks on power lines.

In two days of protests against President Pinochet's military Government, almost 100 people have been injured and 900 arrested in Santiago and other Chilean cities.

Many of Wednesday's arrests came when police stormed the University of Chile engineering faculty, rounding up 339 students and 56 other youths.

Troops were out in force in the city of Arica, on Chile's northern border with Peru, and residents said there were some demonstrations.

# Australians avoid talk of Prince's role

**From Stephen Taylor, Sydney**

The Prince and Princess of Wales fly to the United States today after 13 days in Australia during which they have charmed their hosts, but without giving any fresh grounds for thinking that Prince Charles will one day be invited to be Governor-General.

Still, there was no desire to offend the visitors and the Princess, Australia's favourite Pom, did have a new variety of daisy named after her yesterday.

The royal couple spent their last two days in Canberra, where yesterday they lunched with Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister, and attended a state banquet in the evening.

Official sources said the suggestions, often raised in the past, that Prince Charles might be the last Viceroy before Australia eventually becomes a republic, was not discussed during the visit.

Mr Hawke has not publicly expressed an opinion about the governor-generalship idea but Canberra sources say he would oppose it, as would a majority of the Labour Party. The Opposition is less inclined to republicanism, but even if the Liberals come to power in 1987, when Sir Ninian Stephen the present Governor-General, is expected to retire, there is no likelihood that an offer would be made.

Essentially, Australians have decided that, for all the pageantry of a Viceroy, the job is actually a political one.

The point has been drummed into the national consciousness recently. On Monday it will be a decade since the Whitlam Government was dismissed by Sir John Kerr, then Governor-General, because it was unable to summon sufficient support in the Senate to pass a budget, and the consequences of this social and political upheaval survive as a powerful argument against the viceregal function.

The point is made that in recent history governor-generals have been forced to make a political decision every five years or so. The same argument cites Sir John Kerr's admission that he refused to consult the Queen before dismissing Mr Whitlam because it would have politicized the Crown.

For all the aggravation of these old wounds, the Royal visit has undoubtedly been a success. In Canberra yesterday the Prince of Wales, or rather perhaps the Princess, received a vociferous welcome at a building site by members of a union who are usually so anti-establishment that their emblem is the Eureka flag, a blue-and-white symbol of republican sentiment in Australia.

"Good on yer, darlin'," roared one man.

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# Duarte gets backing from Spain

**From Richard Wigg
Madrid**

President José Duarte of El Salvador ended a two-day official visit here yesterday having received Spanish support for his Government but avoiding any meeting with the political wing of the Salvadorean guerrilla movement.

He ignored an offer by Señor Guillermo Ungo, head of the Democratic Revolutionary Front which supports the guerrillas to fly to Madrid from Belgrade where he was attending a non-aligned countries' meeting.

Negotiations to end the hostilities in El Salvador began last year but produced no results and have not yet restarted.

The Christian Democrat President, speaking at a press conference here before leaving, attacked Nicaragua's left-wing regime for continuing to be a sanctuary for the Farabundo Marti guerrillas. He justified the release, which he negotiated, of his daughter who was kidnapped by the guerrillas, as "an act of humanity." She accompanied him on the visit here.

# Subversion threat by Gadaffi

Tripoli (Reuter) – Colonel Gadaffi, the Libyan leader, threatened yesterday to fight the United States on its own ground if Washington really planned to topple him as alleged in a US newspaper report.

He was referring to a *Washington Post* article last Saturday that President Reagan had approved a Central Intelligence Agency plan to start a covert operation against him. "If the report is true, then we have to fight, subvert America from the inside by using all means available," Colonel Gadaffi said in an interview with US television.

Earlier, he told a news conference the alleged CIA plan could only be interpreted as an assassination plot against him, "because I have no authority to be toppled, I am not a president or a prime minister... It can only mean physical liquidation."

He said if Mr Reagan condoned such actions, he would be guilty of "serious violation of the law" and he should be tried under American law.

## Philippines elections

# Aquino widow emerges as opposition favourite

**From Paul Routledge, Manila**

Mrs Corazon Aquino, aged 52, is fast emerging as the main opposition candidate to unseat President Marcos in elections due to be held in January.

The widow of the late opposition leader, Benigno Aquino, shot on the tarmac at Manila airport two years ago on return from political exile in the United States, has eclipsed her rival in pre-caucus manouvering even though she has yet to declare her candidacy.

Secret talks among the Opposition parties are to take place in the capital tomorrow, the former senator Salvador "Doy" Laurel is expected to cut short his visit to the US to attend.

The presidential aspirant, nominee of the coalition Unido party, yesterday conceded for the first time in public that he would accept a "second fiddle" role as running mate to Mrs Aquino.

In the influential *Business Day* newspaper, he said: "I am confident that we will come out with only one candidate against President Marcos, for we have no choice. In a fairly clean election, united we cannot lose, divided we cannot win.

"Of course I will yield if Cory Aquino decides to change her mind and run for the presidency. If the national unification committee chooses her as the common official candidate I will not only vote for her. I'll also campaign for her all over the country."

The timing and presentation of the long-touted presidential election will be discussed today at a meeting of the ruling KBL (New Society Party) caucus chaired by President Marcos. A bill to allow "snap" polling in 12 weeks is up for approval by the dominant National Assembly group.

There is still considerable disgruntlement among opposition figures who were caught unprepared by the sudden announcement of an election, and the issue may yet end up in the courts.

But according to Western diplomats in Manila, it is now becoming accepted that the Opposition, having demanded elections in the first place, has little option but to fight the poll called by the president

# THE ARTS I

## Concerts

# Birthday Boulez

**London Sinfonietta/Masson**

Queen Elizabeth Hall/Radio 3

One returns to *Le marteau sans maître* as to a manuscript in Chinese, each time delighting in new subtleties of line and balance, each time noticing new relationships among the characters, but each time too becoming further persuaded that a whole world of meaning remains locked into these symbols and cannot be prised out.

Perhaps Boulez could say with Rimbaud that he alone has the key to this wild parade, but it seems more likely that there is no key, no code. Of course this does not mean that the work is meaningless, only that it operates by suggesting, confusing, tantalizing, stunning, mesmerizing and only very rarely by telling.

Necessarily this makes it as difficult to perform as it is to understand and the passing of 30 years has not lessened either difficulty. Wednesday night's account benefitted from the presence of several players, notably the flautist Sebastian Bell and the vibraphonist James Holland, who have traversed this opulent desert often enough to make the journey again with quiet authority and sensitivity.

There was also a remarkable new singer, Elizabeth Laurence, who is Boulez's own favoured soloist of the moment, and one can see why: she has no problems at all in the low register, and she opens the music to a wide range from luscious cantilena in the manner of the lizard song from Boulez's earlier René Char cantata *Le soleil des eaux* to a little scene of Bergian expressionism (at the start of the last movement). Nevertheless the whole thing hung somewhat loose. There were moments of slippery ensemble, and generally the ennui was beginning to wear away at the tension.

The first half of this Boulez 60th birthday concert had brought a larger London Sinfonietta under Diego Masson to play *Domaines*, which maddeningly hobbles much marvellous music by cutting it into square chunks to fit a frame: a bald dialogue of versicles for solo clarinettist with responses from six ensembles in turn.

Trombones fizz and splutter, an oboe chatters merrily to the bemusement of horn and electric guitar; a solo flute keeps bubbling out from his quintet: marimba and amplified bass slouch off in the direction of modern jazz. But all of them speak only when they are spoken to, so that always there are five silent ensembles and a heavy impression of inactivity. Roger Heaton brought exact character and perfectly placed chording to the central role, but this is a drama that needs a good deal of shaking up.

**Paul Griffiths**

## LMP/Glover

Royal Festival Hall

You probably would not subscribe to a London Mozart Players season if you did not like Mozart. Nevertheless, some patrons must be rather relieved that Jane Glover's edict of "nothing but Mozart this year" has run its worthy course. This season there is a welcome whiff of offbeat eclecticism about the programming.

Here, for instance, was Schubert's little Overture in B flat, D470 – unpretentious but abundantly tuneful in the *Rosamunde* mould. The violins' exposed journey through the slow introduction was not always unanimous, but subsequently there was plenty to admire.

For the LMP now give the impression of being a settled and well integrated band, with a nucleus of outstanding wind principals (the horn and flute playing was especially admirable throughout the evening) and a bright, strongly nuanced style among the upper strings.

If there is a weakness it is that the lower strings are rarely encouraged by Miss Glover to contribute an equal weight to contrapuntal dialogues. Consequently, some of the bustling fun of the quick movements in Haydn's Symphony No 101, "The Clock", went missing. The Andante, too, could have been more whimsically varied in pace; this ticker had a little too much Swiss precision about it.

The concert's soloist, Imogen Cooper, also offered a comparative rarity: Schumann's Introduction and Allegro Appassionato. Like the Schubert overture, this one-movement piano concerto spurts vigorously after a slow beginning, but the Romantic spirit is far more pronounced here. The slow introduction is a magical tapestry of piano arpeggios rippling round long-breathed wind solos.

Miss Cooper was generously supportive in this introduction and when required to take the lead in the "appassionato" she never renounced that poetic vein in favour of big-fisted heroics. She did tend to rush passagework, but Miss Glover's staunch pacing of the tuttis brought her back into line.

**Richard Morrison**

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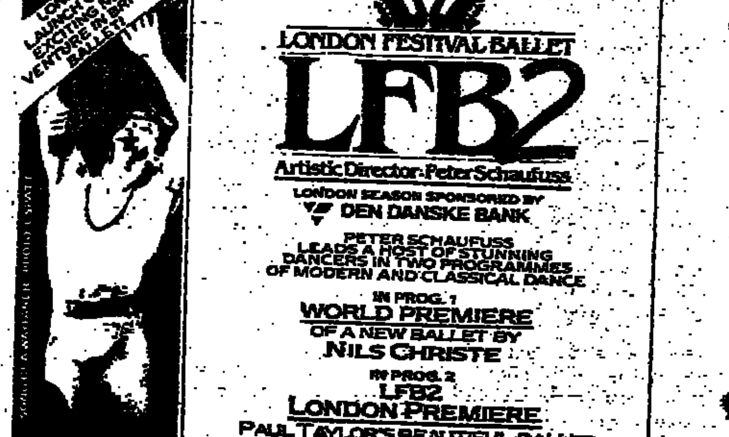
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# THE ARTS II

**Cinema: David Robinson**

# From Russia with love . . .

**Letter to Brezhnev (15)**
Classic, Tottenham Court Road; Classic Royal; Classic Chelsea

**The Supergrass (15)**
Classic Haymarket; ABC Shaftesbury Avenue, Bayswater, Fulham Road, Edgware Road

**Argie**
ICA

**Priest of Love (15)**
Curzon, West End

The rest may be in doubt, but **Letter to Brezhnev** really is New British Cinema. It represents *authentic regional* cinema owing neither allegience nor apology to London; and authentic popular cinema, addressing its audience as directly, knowingly and entertainingly as Old Mother Riley. It is the work of a tight-knit group of young people of compelling vitality, dazzling wit, first-hand social awareness, and a defiant belief that to be working class (they prefer, archaically, to identify themselves as "the poor") is neither discrediting nor cause for militancy.

Inevitably it comes from Liverpool. Crumbling *port and* devastated inner City it may be; but Merseyside focused the dreams of two generations of young people the world over (a new Polish film bears the English title *Yesterday* in nostalgic homage to the Beatles).

People who live in Kirkby, which is five miles up the road from Liverpool, pronounce the name as if it were spelt "Kirby", and with a vowel sound no system of phonetics can produce. In *Letter to Brezhnev*, Elaine (Alexandra Pigg) and Teresa (Margi Clarke) are Kir'by Girls. Elaine is on the dole; Teresa stuffs 800 birds a day in a chicken factory.

Not unnaturally they live for leisure – nights in tatty clubs and discos where they gossip, swipe drinks and hope for a man worth chatting up. On one such safari, they meet two Russians in port for the night and clearly a cut above the local talent. The girls pay for the hotel rooms; and while Teresa gives Sergei the time *of his life*, Elaine and Pyotr chastely, *romantically*, idiotically fall in love.

The Russians set sail. Elaine pines, until – Kirkby's own Samantha Smith – she has the idea of writing to President Brezhnev. Her troubles begin when the Soviet leader, fairytale fashion, sends her an invitation and ticket to Moscow. Mum, Dad and the Foreign Office, not to speak of the local papers, try to head her off such a perilous adventure. But a Kir'by girl has her resources...

The energy is infectious and non-stop. The dialogue is as fast and funny and true to its idiom as Damon Runyon, though Runyon was never this rude. *Above all it is about something*: Can life in Moscow be any worse that life in Kirkby, Elaine demands? And she means it.

*Letter to Brezhnev* may be a comedy about daft, delirious Kir'by girls, but it also speaks of inner-city decay, unemployment, the frustration of work, the poverty of leisure, civil servants, local newspaper hacks, and the weight of ignorance and prejudice that oppresses Kirkby and its like. It is also about intelligence, wit, resilience, fighting back, unremarked heroism.

There is no more exhilarating film in London. Perhaps part of the exhilaration, and the quality that makes the film as poignant as it is comic, is that behind the eager-for-life faces of the Kir'by girls are the realest of real people.

This is one of many things that *Letter to Brezhnev* has over another new comedy, The Supergrass, written and directed by Peter Richardson, who comes, with most of the cast, from The Comic Strip, and alternative cabaret group that has gone on to make a series of *film comedies for Channel 4*.

*The Supergrass* starts with a promising idea: a prevaricating youth tries to impress his girl with fantasies of his drug ring connections. Overheard by the police, he is seen by the Yard as a major catch. Dim as he is, he cottons-on to the rich material rewards available to a supergrass; and so begins to oblige with circumstantial details...

Beyond the premise, however, the story is laid out in the most haphazard way; bizarre characters and *incidents* are introduced without consideration to their relevance; and eventually the thing is allowed to slide inconsequentially to its end. Adrian Edmonson is an engaging simpleton, given to vacuous Stan Laurel grins; but – *like the rest of the players* – is never permitted to develop the character beyond comic tics.

Argie is fairly haphazard too, but at least it has bite, and a human, developing central character. This comic-melancholic, plague-on-both-your-*houses reflection on nationalism* and the Falklands/Malvinas War was patched together for peanuts by the Uruguayan Jorge Blanco, whose principle is "to make the film faster than your creditors can call in your promissory notes". Blanco himself plays Pablo, a slob and political exile in London.

When the conflict breaks out, he patriotically declares his own war on the British.

Four years after its first screenings, Christopher Miles's **Priest of love** reappears, 26 minutes shorter, as a centenary tribute to its subject, D. H. Lawrence.

Co-scripted by Miles and Andrew Donally, the film is more documentary than imaginative, but honourable and absorbing in what it attempts, with vivid, rounded, warty characterizations of Lawrence and Frieda by Ian McKellen and Janet Suzman, and creditable support by Ava Gardner, John Gielgud and Penelope Keith.

Kiss through wire: Elaine (Alexandra Pigg) and Pyotr (Peter Firth)

The part of Elaine in *Letter to Brezhnev* was written with Alexandra Pigg in mind. Interview: **John Preston**

# How a python helped Alex up the success ladder

Alexandra Pigg, right: "The atmosphere was wonderful"

The star of *Letter to Brezhnev*, Alexandra Pigg, may have the most unglamorous name to have rolled up on screen since Timothy Bottoms, but she is quite sharp enough to know that no one will forget it in a hurry.

*If she shares a great* deal of the singlemindedness of Elaine in the film, it is not altogether surprising – the part was written with her in mind. "*Letter to Brezhnev* actually started life as a play", she says. "I was asked if I would like to do it but unfortunately I was under contract elsewhere at the time. I was terribly disappointed because I loved the script. Then a year later the writer, Frank Clarke, rang me up and said he was going to turn it into a movie. I told him if he didn't give me the part I'd kill him."

She got the part and was despatched down to London as part of a delegation to try and persuade Peter Firth to get involved. He read the script overnight and accepted the next morning. But while there was no shortage of enthusiasm, there was a distinct absence of money. Private investors, mainly friends of the cast and crew, chipped in and filming got underway in November 1984.

"No one was getting any money at all. It was amazing. Somehow this film was just being made and no one seemed in the least bit bothered that they weren't being paid. The atmosphere was absolutely wonderful."

However, after three weeks what money there was ran out altogether. Shooting ground to a halt as desperate efforts were made to drum up more cash.

Palace Pictures and Channel 4 *eventually came to the rescue* and enabled filming to begin again three months later. "We were all pretty sure that it was going to get finished. I don't think we could have stood it if it had just been abandoned."

*Born* 200 *yards from the* Anfield football ground, Alexandra Pigg started performing her poetry in pubs when she was 15 and left school a year later on the eve of her O levels.

"*Frank Clarke and Brezhnev* director Chris Bernard were putting on this production at the studio of the Liverpool Playhouse and they asked me to be in it. I was supposed to be doing ten O levels but the exams clashed with rehearsals so I decided to jack in school and left without an O level to my name.

After a stint at ballet school she set off up the long slope towards Equity membership. "I was supposed to be in *Boys from the Blackstuff* but Equity wouldn't let me do it because I hadn't got my card. I thought, well, I'll go into variety and get my card that way. I started dancing in clubs.

"Because I hadn't spent very long at ballet school I was a bit lacking in technique, so I thought, I'll bring along my pet python Emma. If you've got a five-foot python and you're poncing around on the dance floor with it, nobody's going to *be looking* at your feet. And it worked, it was brilliant.

"I rang up Equity and asked them to send someone up to see me. They sent this guy who was terrified of pythons. I'm sure I only got my Equity card because I threatened to let the snake out. I was an exotic dancer I suppose, but I certainly wasn't the sort of dancer that comes to mind when you talk about pythons."

Her snake dancing days over, Ms Pigg landed a part in Channel 4's *Brookside* as the depressive housewife Petra who eventually wound up face down in a ditch in Wales.

"After I finished I just felt I had to get away. I went to live in Birmingham and then I got on a cargo ship and sailed across the Baltic to the border of Russia and Finland. It was very strange because this was before *Letter to Brezhnev*. But at least it gave me some idea of what Elaine could expect."

Right now Ms Pigg is about to move to London. "I've got to move because of work, but I'm really going to miss Liverpool. I'll be lucky if I get a part like Elaine again. I always knew it was a wonderful script, but I never really thought what the consequences might be. At the time it was just me and my mates making a movie".

## Theatre

# Five slices of modern life

**Five Play Bill**
Cottesloe

The National Theatre Studio's season of new work continues with these five slices of modern *life; four of them intend* to amuse, and two of them have no overt drug-taking whatever.

Alex Renton's **A Twist of Lemon** has Nigel Le Vaillant as an intense, swivel-eyed hooray taking a day off commodity broking in order to devote his energies to his heroin habit. Not that he *has* a habit, he assures us: his use of the drug is purely recreational, "the ultimate naughtiness".

On the other hand, his bank has torn up his cheque card and he has to hock his television set before meeting The Man outside Fulham Broadway tube station. All this is horribly authentic.

Rod Smith's **Sunday Morning**, introduced by the Velvet Underground song of the same *name, is the only one* of these plays to be directed by John Burgess instead of Peter Gill. A keen amateur photographer (Stephen Petcher) finds his Sabbath disturbed by a thick-skinned, garrulous pot head (David Cardy), by an unseen Jehovah's Witness, and *lastly* by his peevish wife (Chrissie Cotterill).

Escaping to the open air, he gets put in his place by a stock enigmatic Sunday painter (Kate Fahy) and returns to the bosom of his family a reformed character.

If this seems a pointless exercise, Mr Gill's own authorial effort **In The Blue** raises pointlessness to the level of art without sustaining dramatic interest. A drop-out Civil Servant turned hospital auxiliary (Michael Maloney) and a Glaswegian rent boy *manque* (Evan Stewart) play verbal badminton with a sample-book of short one-liners ("I'll be off, then" – "Have you got my number?" – "Do you want me to stay?" etc) which ultimately become an apparently random collage.

In Rosemary Wilton's **Bouncing** three middle-aged Hampstead bourgeoises dressed in pearls and *ouvrier* blue rehearse the tribulations of party-going after divorce. One of them places an ad in the *New Statesman* and meets a succession of unsuitable gentlemen outside the theatres of London.

Mick Mahoney's **Up For None** is a fresh, hard-edged and seriously foul-mouthed comedy of Oxford Street manners. David Cardy as a wide-boy watch salesman, Perry Fenwick as his violent, moralistic teenage rick, Chrissie Cotterill as a brass called Brass, Brian Bovell as a Trinidadian constable and Daniel Webb as a coke-snorting hoodlum – all are superb, and despite the script's forced ending and sometimes impenetrable argot, this is the gem of the evening.

**Martin Cropper**

**Toys in the Attic**
Palace, Watford

Featuring two spinster sisters dreaming of an escape to Europe, and a wastrel brother who upsets their lives by marrying a strange girl from across the lake, Lillian Hellman's last play not only echoes Chekhov; it hijacks him to Louisiana where all the Chekhovian elements melt together in a climate one character describes as "so hot and damp it puts a mildew on the truth".

Hellman, who suffered no such impediment herself, clearly understood this, and was drawing on Chekhov for her own purposes. Instead of a beloved estate she presents a house where no one has ever wanted to live; instead of a genuine desire for escape, an instant retreat as soon as the dream threatens to come true. The title refers to the desires of youth, preserved into middle-age as stifling furniture of the mind.

Its themes established, the play develops on entirely un-Chekhovian lines as an intricately-plotted mystery, combining the incestuous claustrophobia of Southern Gothic with a sharp comic surface (well reflected in Leon Rubin's alert production). When brother Julian returns from Chicago with his child bride, showering furs and transatlantic tickets on the sisters, you are left until the end to discover where the fairy gold had come from.

Although the action centres on Julian (Garrick Hagon), it is a woman's play, cast up to the nines with Lysette Anthony as the fatally infantile wife, Helen Ryan as the stoical Anna and Hayley Mills as the pretty, *prudish, and hysterically* possessive Carrie, who physically ages 20 years by the end.

**Irving Wardle**

## Television

Actions speak louder than words in drama, especially with any kind of political message. In the first episode of **Black Silk** (BBC-2), a new series about a black barrister in London, the events and the dialogue were sometimes in opposition.

The central character spoke most movingly of the racist discrimination which blighted *his* career, but the most telling sequence demonstrating such prejudice was one in which the smartly-dressed lawyer had difficulty hailing a taxi – a deprivation unlikely to elicit much sympathy.

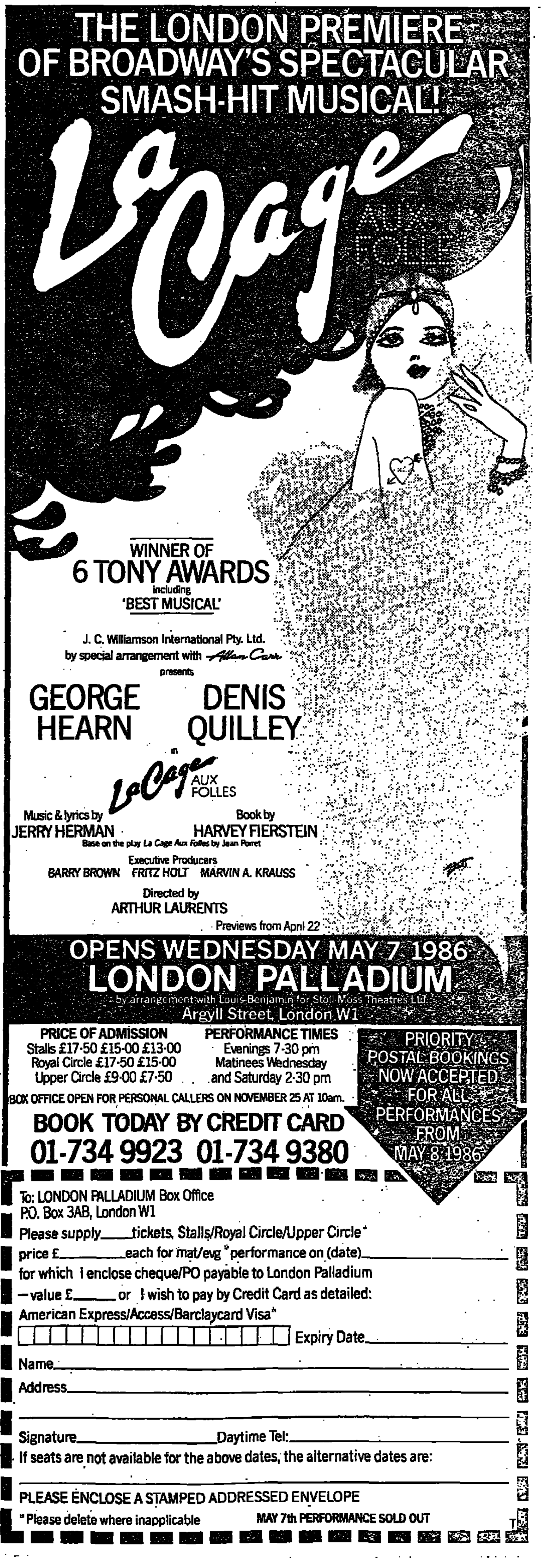
*Black Silk* has been devised by *Mustapha Matura and Rudy* Narayan, and is written by a predominantly-black team.

Like America's immensely popular comedy starring Bill Cosby as a black gynaecologist, there was a distinct emphasis on establishing the grade of lifestyle the central character enjoyed, a sadly touching need. At one stage the director went so far as to use a close-up of the elegant supper the central character enjoyed with his girlfriend (a successful white lawyer), as an unnecessary proof of status.

Against these faults, *Black Silk* offered an interesting character whose own family situation had an intriguing resonance with that of the rejected teenager he defended.

*Given* the time to gain confidence, *Black Silk* will doubtless acquire a more polished vein of humour and greater skill in portraying a legal mind at work, as well as the essential knack of making political points arise naturally *from the narrative rather than* asking the actors to belabour the audience with blunt polemic.

**Celia Brayfield**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Twenty years ago today Britain's first Race Relations Act entered the statute books

# Equal under the law?

Despite legislation and changes in the social climate, life has hardly become easier for Britain's ethnic minorities. Is the law at fault?

**Pat Healy reports**

Promised land: West Indians arriving at Victoria Station from Southampton in 1956

Pauline Crabbe arrived on a banana boat from Jamaica in 1919 six years after John Archer was elected, in Battersea, as Britain's first black mayor. She did not realize that she, too, was black for another 50 years, when Mr Enoch Powell made his "rivers of blood" speech and she found he was referring to her.

Suddenly his warnings made her aware that she was not, after all, as welcome as she had believed. Now retired, she was Britain's first black woman magistrate and had a distinguished career in social work. She still says she has never experienced any discrimination personally.

Cecil Sampson, now a case worker at the law centre in troubled Tottenham, has. A former policeman in Guyana, Mr Sampson arrived here in 1957. "It was vastly different then", he says. "At first people were welcoming. Then the numbers began to increase and signs started going up in landlords windows saying: "No niggers", "No coloureds".

When Mr Sampson wanted to buy a house in Holloway he had to get a white friend to buy it for him because the owner refused to sell to Mr Sampson. When he walked into an office as a job vacancy was being put up in the window he was told the job had already gone.

It was those kinds of experiences that led articulate professional black people to agitate for a law to stop all black people losing out in access to credit facilities, decent housing and jobs. Numerous private members' Bills were introduced in the Commons between 1950 and 1964, but failed.

The first measure, introduced by the Labour Government in 1965, received Royal Assent on November 8. It outlawed discrimination in public places, but enforcement was not subject to criminal law.

The Race Relations Board, the agency given the task of enforcing the law, was equipped with few powers, and the Act did not cover the main areas of discrimination.

The deficiencies were quickly recognized. A second Act followed in 1968, covering employment and housing, giving the board new powers, but still with limited remedies.

The present Race Relations Act, passed in 1976, was a radical new measure. It introduced the much broader concept of equality between the races and covered indirect discrimination for the first time. It also made positive discrimination in strictly limited circumstances lawful for the first time.

The Act also introduced the Commission for Racial Equality (CRE) in place of both the board and the Community Relations Commission. The new body was given a crucial new power, to conduct strategic investigations without first needing evidence of discrimination. That power has now been taken away by a House of Lords decision, and its restoration is demanded in reform proposals presented to the Home Secretary in June.

Mr Peter Newsam, chairman of the CRE, said then that "the need for effective legislation to promote racial equality is, if anything, greater now than it was in 1976".

The evidence for that statement is clear. The Policy Studies Institute (PSI), which has investigated the state of race relations in Britain more consistently and in more depth than any other body, concluded last year in its third major survey, *Black and White in Britain*, that black people were still in the same geographical and economic position as 30 years ago.

The initial hostility felt by many people to the idea that Britain needed to legislate to outlaw unfair treatment of black people has changed to widespread acceptance, as the PSI study showed. It found that half the white population believes that the present law should be enforced more effectively.

Most observers believe that the lack of progress is caused by poor leadership and political will, rather than fundamental flaws in the law.

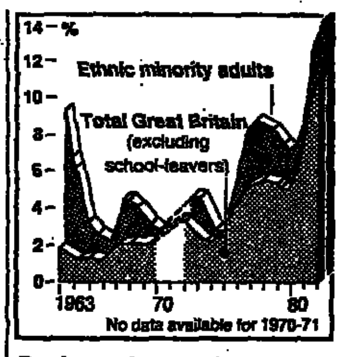
Mrs Ann Dummett, director of the Runnymede Trust, an independent research body, blames the CRE's inadequate resources, the lack of a civil rights movement like that of America in the 1960s, and absence of commitment by successive governments and big business.

The CRE operates on a budget of just over £9 million a year and last year registered 1,202 complaints, 765 of them on employment matters.

In its annual report in June, the commission said: "Unless there is an active commitment to equal opportunity from everyone in a position of power and authority ... we may find at the end of another two decades that the measures of disadvantage and inequality of opportunity will tell no better story than they do today".

## THE FACTS BEHIND THE COLOUR GAP

The most comprehensive source of information about the relative disadvantage of black people compared with white in Britain is the surveys carried out since 1966 by the Policy Studies Institute. The last, published in July 1984, and based on data collected in 1982, found that 20 years of race relations legislation had done little to improve the condition of black people, who remain worse housed, lower paid and at the bottom of the labour market when in work, but more likely than whites to be unemployed. The following are some selected statistics from *Black and White Britain: The Third PSI Survey:*



**Registered unemployment among the general population and ethnic minorities. The gap grows with increasing unemployment**

Source: Home Office Research Study No 68

### EDUCATION

Highest qualification of 16-24 year olds (males %)

| | White | West Indian | Asian |
|---|---|---|---|
| Degree | 4 | less than 0.5 | 5 |
| GCE A level/HND | 8 | 6 | 14 |
| O level/ONCD | 21 | 32 | 28 |
| CSE | 34 | 24 | 18 |
| No qualifications | 27 | 35 | 35 |
| Completing education at 17 or over | 29 | 41 | 58 |

### HOUSING CONDITIONS

| | White % | | West Indian & Asian % | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1974 | 1982 | 1974 | 1982 |
| Detached | 21 | 18 | 1 | 3 |
| Semi-detached | 36 | 36 | 15 | 15 |
| Terraced | 30 | 31 | 66 | 59 |
| Flat/other | 12 | 15 | 15 | 22 |

### WEEKLY EARNINGS (average; males)

| | White | West Indian & Asian |
|---|---|---|
| England & Wales | £128.90 | £110.20 |
| North West | £141.50 | £98.60 |
| East Midlands | £135.40 | £96.00 |
| London | £129.90 | £118.70 |

### JOBS (males, %)

| | White | | West Indian | | Asian | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1974 | 1982 | 1974 | 1982 | 1974 | 1982 |
| Professional, employer, manager | 23 | 22 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 14 |
| Skilled manual and foremen | 42 | 44 | 59 | 48 | 40 | 36 |
| Semi-skilled manual | 12 | 11 | 23 | 23 | 30 | 31 |
| Unskilled manual | 6 | 3 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 5 |

## ACTION UNDER THE ACT

How the CRE deals with complaints:

| Complaints registered with the Commission in 1984 | |
|---|---|
| Employment | 765 |
| Non-Employment | 410 |
| Not covered by Act | 27 |
| Total | 1202 |

| Committee decisions 1984 | |
|---|---|
| No assistance | 324 |
| No further assistance | 507 |
| Commission representation | 46 |
| Legal representation | 185 |
| Withdrawn | 127 |
| Total | 1189 |

Results 1984

| | Empl't cases | Non-empl't cases |
|---|---|---|
| Settled privately | 38 | 7 |
| Successful after hearing | 18 | 5 |
| Dismissed after hearing | 52 | 12 |
| Total | 108 | 24 |

Discrepancies in the figures exist because the outcome of a case may not be decided until a subsequent year.
Source: CRE Annual Report 1984.

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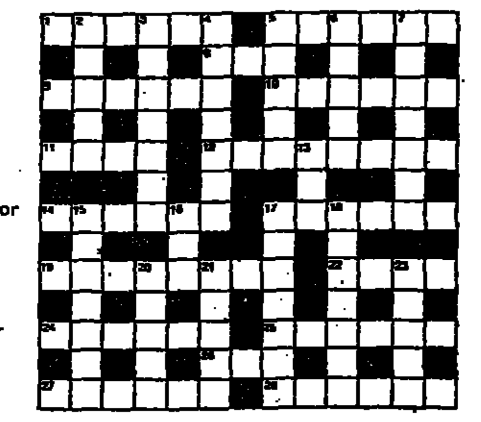

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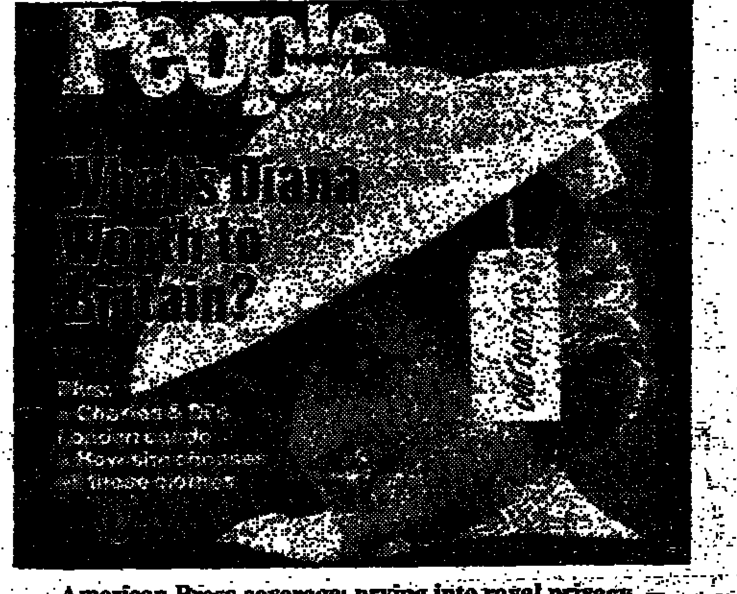
# How Uncle Sam fell in love . . .

When the Princess of Wales arrives in the United States tomorrow, she will find the nation already at her feet, writes

**Michael Binyon**



American Press coverage: prying into royal privacy

The five-day visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to the United States has generated an obsessive and almost inexplicable curiosity among Americans. Young and old, white and black, East Coast establishment and hicks from the midwest plains – all appear overcome with "Di-mentia" as the Press called it. The Royal Family has been here before, but never has the expectation been so palpitating, the social jostling for invitations so frenzied, the baying of the social newshounds so raucous.

Americans themselves are bemused by it all. They have tried to explain to themselves what it is that has generated such excitement. And they have come up with one simple answer: Princess Di, as she is known here. She has never been to the United States before, and is undoubtedly one of the most talked-about and written-about women in the world. Americans want to know why. She is a celebrity in a country that idolizes celebrities, particularly those who have no real achievements to their name but exist on their looks, their status and their lifestyle. Diana epitomizes all three.

But it is not simply the glamour: there are plenty of women as beautiful who have taken coffee at the White House, and just as many with equal charm and self-assurance. It is the aura of remoteness, the sense that the Princess, for all her apparent modernity, belongs to an ancient and closed society America has never known and can never penetrate. Even more tantalizing is the fact that, in a very American sense, Diana herself did what all Americans want to do: she made it. Not born royal, she is the stuff of every child's fairy story, the shy young girl who was plucked from obscurity and married a handsome Prince.

Yet she is clearly still herself, a young woman who wants to look pretty and meet film stars (she particularly requested an invitation for Clint Eastwood to the White House dinner). What daring to wear a low-cut dress! What refreshing cheek to wear a diamond necklace, a present from the Queen, as a headband! Americans are individuals and democrats who love pomp but have no time for pomposity, who are fascinated by tradition but do not like things to be traditional. Princess Di seems to them to have it all.

And then, of course, there is just that hint of scandal, so essential to any real-life drama. Are the royal couple happily married? Is she really Princess Peabrain or is there a sharper, more intellectual side to her? If the American Press could crack Watergate, surely it can find the truth behind the royal facade?

But the Americans do not really want it to. "Dynasty Di" or "The Windsors" has been compared to prime-time soap opera, but in their heart of hearts Americans yearn for mystery and symbol, exclusivity and the closed doors that guard the palace from prying eyes.

For Americans have an ambiguous attitude to monarchy. Made up of people whose ancestors fled European tyrannies, reared on a tradition of equality and free republican spirit, the United States still feels a lack of symbol at the centre, a living focus for its traditions and values. It has a flag, of course, and the presidency. But the flag cannot satisfy all the patriotic sentiment. And the presidency, being politically partisan, cannot impartially unify and represent the nation as well as a monarch.

Americans therefore vicariously adopt the monarchy they feel closest to – which happens to be the British one. They may be made uncomfortable by dim 18th-century memories of George III, but Americans of all ethnic groups still feel a curious bond to the British Royal Family, because of the common language, the common culture, and Britain's closeness as a political ally.

Many Americans would dismiss the idea that they hanker for the old European symbols. But they often do. Mrs Jacqueline Kennedy brought something of that to the White House, and Nixon tried to dress up the White House guards in ceremonial uniform, with pom-poms and tassles. They looked so laughably silly that the plan was quickly dropped. But ceremony is sought in the person of the President, and one reason for Mr Reagan's popularity is his intuitive understanding of that. Both he and his wife manage to convey a sense of regal grace, an aloofness from the hurly-burly of ordinary life. It is what Americans found lacking in the simple, down-to-earth Carters.

The association of the Reagans with the royal couple, who will go to the White House for coffee immediately on arrival here, enhances the image of both couples. The Princess of Wales will join Mrs Reagan in visiting a centre for drug rehabilitation, and the concern demonstrated by the pinnacles of society for its drop-outs makes a vitally important point to the millions of television viewers.

In the same way, Americans have applauded Prince Charles's deep concern about urban and racial unrest in Britain regardless of whether he really made the remarks, or whether they should have been reported.

The exaggerated Press build-up to the visit has, of course, created a counter-reaction. A recent poll by the *Washington Post* discovered widespread indifference, with 67 per cent saying they had no opinion of the Prince and 58 per cent saying the same about his wife. Only a paltry 29 per cent approved of Prince Charles, while Diana's rating was a bit higher at 38 per cent. The result looks baffling at first – until one remembers the reaction of many American celebrities who have been invited to dinners and garden parties on previous royal visits. They, too, feigned indifference. But all took immense care to dress and behave appropriately. And when the moment of introduction came, even Muhammad Ali was a trembling nervous jelly before the Queen.

And, in a very American way, the market cannot be wrong. With Princess Di look-alike competitions, Princess Di fashions and hair-dos, publication of the Princess Di handbook, there clearly is an interest. Cynics have even tried totalling the cash value of the visit's effect on British exports, culture and tourism. It amounts to several million dollars. The five-day visit is one of the most cost-effective export campaigns Britain has ever undertaken.

## THE ROYAL ITINERARY

**TOMORROW**

8.45: Prince and Princess of Wales arrive at Edwards Airforce Base. They will stay at the British Embassy residence during visit.
11.00: Coffee at the White House with President and Mrs Reagan.
1.00: Tree-planting ceremony at British Embassy, followed by lunch.
3.00: Charles visits the American Institute of Architects for briefing on community architecture. He will also view the 1814 Treaty of Ghent that ended the 1812 Anglo-American War.
3.10: Diana, accompanied by Mrs Barbara Bush, visits the Washington Home for Incurables supported by the British Embassy.
7.30: White House dinner given by the President and Mrs Reagan.

**SUNDAY**

10.00: Morning service at Washington Cathedral.
11.15: Prince and Princess visit "The treasure houses of Britain" exhibition at the National Gallery.
8.00: Dinner at the British residence.

**MONDAY**

10.00: Prince and Princess visit the "Best of Britain" promotion at J C Penny department store at Springfield Mall, Virginia.
11.30: British Embassy reception followed by private lunch.
1.45: Charles arrives at the Library of Congress for discussion on George III and the American Constitution.
2.05: Diana and Nancy Reagan arrive at drug rehabilitation centre in Springfield, Virginia.
4.05: Prince and Princess lay wreath in Arlington Cemetery.
7.45: Dinner in the National Gallery, followed by reception.

**TUESDAY**

10.00: Prince and Princess depart for Palm Beach, Florida.
3.00: Charles plays in polo match at Palm Beach polo and country club.
8.00: Dinner given in honour of Dr Armand Hammer for his contributions to united world colleges.

**WEDNESDAY**

9.55: Prince and Princess fly from Palm Beach to London.

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## FRIDAY PAGE

# Room at the top for Jeffrey

Jeffrey Archer, suave best-selling author and fast-talking deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, talked to **Val Hennessy** about unemployment and opportunities for the young

Meeting Jeffrey Archer is like being in *Dynasty*. You enter his penthouse pied-à-terre, sink into one of a half-dozen plushy, cream sofas and think, as you balance your drink on a smoked-glass coffee table vast enough to display a nonchalant scattering of 100 hardbacks with titles like *Everest the Unconquered Ridge* and *The Conservative Party from Peel to Thatcher*, that Jeffrey has slightly overdosed on picture windows.

One glance out at the panoramic views across London would give most people vertigo. It's the sort of sumptuous setting that cries out for shoulder-pads, slinky skirts, a face-lift, a slash of lipstick, intrigue ... in fact I feel a bit of a berk perched earnestly in my NHS specs and last year's coat, endeavouring to steer the conversation towards government strategy on youth employment while the deputy chairman of the Conservative Party sits, exuding complicity, wearing Gucci shoes, a gleaming Longines watch and trouser creases sharp enough to draw blood.

He likes to be called "Jeffrey". Mrs Thatcher calls him "Jeffrey". *Never* "Jeff". And according to his headquarters handout he is "deeply committed to fostering on others, especially the young, the idea that you can achieve what you aim for if you are prepared to work hard and not be frightened to seek your fortune in other than your own backyard."

Which is exactly the point I intend to raise once Jeffrey has calmed down, sorted out tomorrow's squash game, and dismissed a mysteriously hovering cab-driver.

"I've just sold options on serialization rights of my book *Not a Penny More, Not a Penny Less* to the BBC for exactly £58", chuckles Jeffrey, who has the sort of face that springs to mind whenever you see the sign SMART BOY WANTED in grocer shop windows. "Now why did I do that? Guess?" Hazarding a guess that he did it because he doesn't need any more money, I sip my cup of tea and he roars: "No. I sold it, rather appropriately, for the price of a television licence!" He beams. I beam back. The autumn sun beams cruelly through the picture windows illuminating the deep laughter-lines etched round Jeffrey's shrewd eyes.

Right Jeffrey, I begin, whipping out a fast-flowing felt-tip. Down to business. Thousands of parents were outraged by your recent pronouncement that youngsters are unwilling to work. Indeed, if I may permit a personal note to intrude, my own 19-year-old son with six O-levels and a City and Guilds qualification is unable to find work and exists on £22.50 weekly dole money.

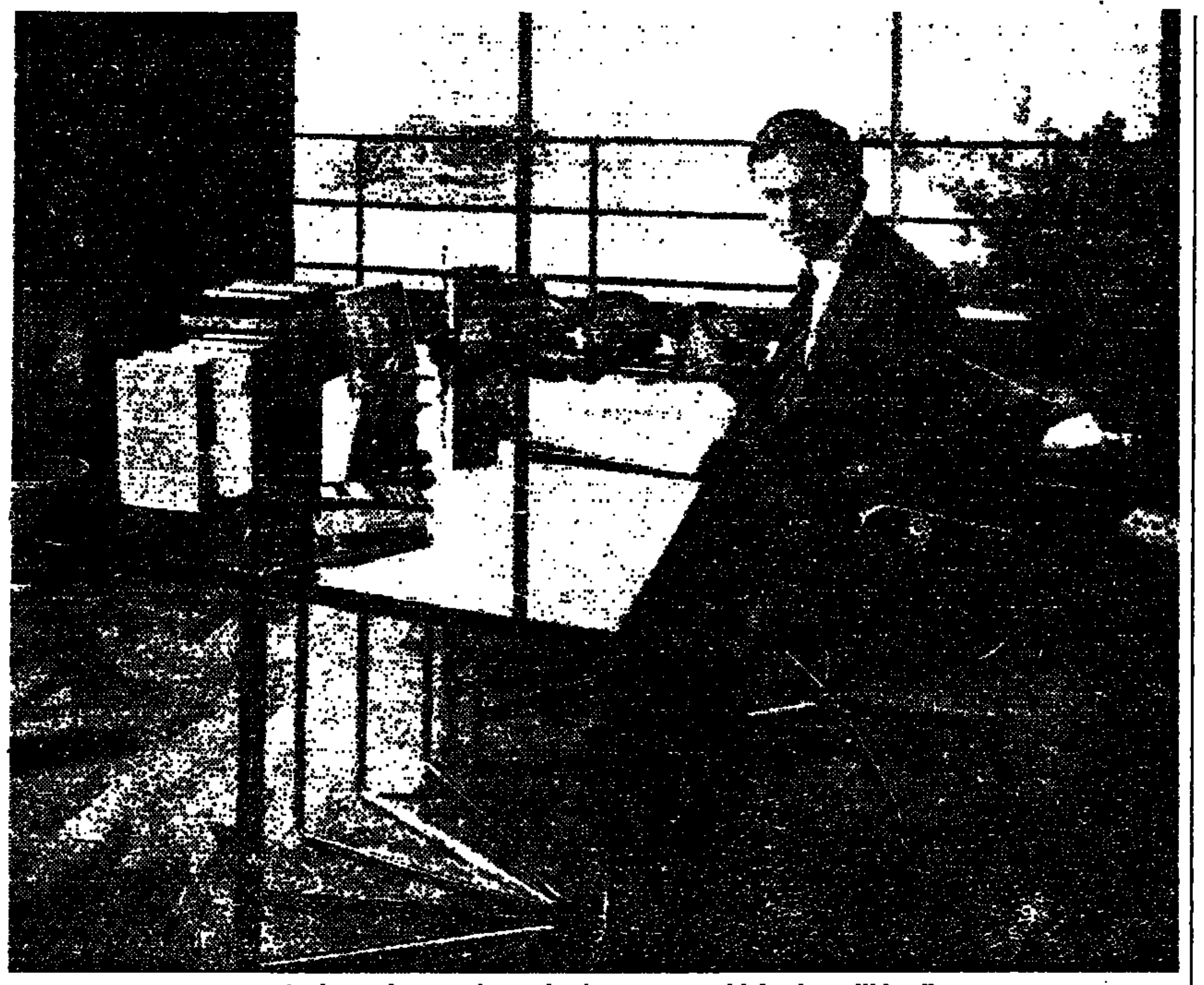
Furthermore, many of my friends have similar unemployed youngsters with A-levels, university degrees professional qualifications ... we represent the "middle class", the traditional bastion of Tory support, the advocators of the work ethic and we are all extremely anxious. We want to know what the Government is doing to enhance the life-chances of our offspring.

It is like slamming your foot down forcefully on the accelerator. Jeffrey revs up and delivers: "First let me say that the remark you refer to was, I regret, taken out of context. I've had so much trouble since – hundreds of angry letters; I have been up every night replying to each one – and I honestly do not want to discuss the matter further."

"I am very sorry about your son, about *all* the unemployed sons. However, it must be realized that there are 13 million unemployed people in Europe so this is not only a British problem. This Government has, since 1983, created 620,000 jobs compared with 200,000 in the rest of Europe put together ..."

Jeffrey breaks off and calls across the room to his young, furiously typing personal assistant. "David, pass me a blue sheet. You know how touchy I am at the moment on the unemployment topic. Let's get these figures right ..."

David, about the same age as my son and, as Jeffrey explains "very bright, just down from Oxford, and hoping to become an MP", smartly hands over a blue sheet of paper. Consulting it Jeffrey replies: "This Government has provided £2 billion to help one million school children. Since April 1983 we provided up to a year's work-based training for over 700,000 school-leavers, two-thirds of whom have gone into a job, further education, or training."



Archer at home: "determined to create real jobs that will last"

Handing back the blue sheet he adds: "These figures show clearly our deep concern. Lord Young spelt out at Blackpool exactly what we hope to achieve for young people". What? "We know it is no easy task. It angers me when I hear the Labour Party say that we lack compassion, while I watch a minister like Lord Young doing absolutely everything in his power to solve a seemingly insoluble problem."

Yes, but *what* did Lord Young spell out at Blackpool? "That we are determined to create real jobs that will *last*, and not invented jobs that have no real substance."

A bewildered pause here. Lord Young's job creation plans are still not altogether clear and certainly won't offer immediate hope to all those young people who mutter "no future" as they eke out their baked beans in dingy bedsits subsidized by the DHSS. So how can youngsters be expected to vote when they feel woefully ignored by politicians? Jeffrey declares that the Conservative Party has never ignored the young. Neither has it stooped to street level to capture the youth vote.

It has no intention of going to Neil Kinnock's gimmicky extremes of twanging guitars and making pacey pop videos, he says. No way. Neil Kinnock has worked it all out very cleverly but the young aren't fooled. He shakes his head, then nods it solemnly when I suggest that it will take considerably more than twanging guitars to politicize an indifferent, disillusioned, economically disenfranchized generation.

Returning to Jeffrey's now infamous phrase about the young being unwilling to quit their own backyard in the search for work I remind him that they are not all dynamic, confident, resourceful types. Most are vulnerable, wanting to stay near families and friends. "I realize that now", Jeffrey confesses darkly. "I realize that *now*. But I *do* listen to what youngsters say.

"I was at a school this morning ..." Which one? "Which school was it, David? Pass me my sheet. Near Gosport. Alverstoke ... where a highly articulate 16-year-old boy made a great impression on me. His well-informed list of questions included: 'Why don't the Conservatives have a massive government spending programme to solve unemployment' and 'Why not give teachers bigger pay packets in recognition of their important work? I offered him the old trick – no, 'trick' is the wrong word, put 'truth'. I said 'Where does the money come from? There's no such thing as 'Government Money'."

"I asked him 'What does your father do?' The lad replied 'boat building'. His father also pays tax. Right. I said, tax is *real* money. That's what the government gathers from all people to pay for the unemployed, teachers, hospitals. ..."

But hang on a minute, Jeffrey. If you'd asked "what does your father do" in Liverpool, say, or Crewkerne, the children might have replied "nothing" or even "I haven't got one". How then would you explain the link between father's income tax and government money? Beads of perspiration glint on Jeffrey's brow in the light from the picture windows. He hurls me a glance like a stink bomb.

In Britain 87 per cent of the population are earning. Never exaggerate the unemployment figures. At the end of the day there *has* to be an economic strategy. Labour's policy has always been to spend, spend, spend, and then to borrow, borrow, borrow. The Conservative Party has always believed in earn, earn, earn, and then pay with real money. Don't think I'm not worried about unemployment. Believe me if I had a magic wand I'd be up all night, or all day, rather, waving it."

Jeffrey admits that he occasionally worries about his own young sons. And yes, he would be *horrified* if they wound up with UB40 forms and £22.50 dole money a week. "One would hope", begins Jeffrey, looking almost horrified enough to dive through the picture windows, "that one had created an attitude that made them search for work very widely before giving up. Parental teaching and the idea of work ethic should go on continuously over the years. I don't believe in half measures."

Phew! Jeffrey remarks that this interview is more "hard hitting" than he'd anticipated. Can't grumble, he says. Someone in his position must be prepared to take the knocks. And *no*, he refuses point blank to discuss whether Mrs Thatcher had a go at him after his recent off-the-cuff utterances. Absolutely not. A mental image of Mrs Thatcher thundering "If you shoot your mouth off again, Jeffrey, I'll smack your legs", flashes before my eyes as Jeffrey says: "You *may*, however, ask me whether I've been gagged." Have you been gagged, Jeffrey? "Of course I haven't. What rubbish. I wouldn't be sitting here talking so freely if I had!"

Gesturing towards David he adds: "The way the media has knocked me of late might very well have caused this young man to lose heart. All that hostility is enough to make him say to hell with politics, and become a banker. Twice the pay, half the hours. And yet ... you enter a hall where 450 voters have turned out to cheer you on and you realize it's all so worthwhile. The good work goes on."

David chips in to say: "What about that splendid Youth Training Scheme thing in Fulham, remember? The kids were superb. So pleased to see you, Jeffrey. So grateful for your personal interest. It was very moving." No, the kids hadn't mentioned the NUS "I'm backing youth" campaign. Nor had they voiced a widely held youth view that the YTS is used by unscrupulous employers as a source of cheap labour.

His eyes slide towards a book on the coffee table. Edited by Mary Wilson it is an anthology of celebrities' favourite poems. All royalties go to a Leukaemia Trust. Jeffrey has chosen *One Thousandth Man* by Rudyard Kipling because, he explains, it sums up everthing required of a true friend. " 'One man in a thousand', Solomon says, 'will stick more close than a brother'. What a line! When I collapsed, when I was left with debts of £427,727 and on the verge of bankruptcy at the age of 34, I learnt which people were my true friends indeed. ..."

From unemployment, to poetry, to Mrs Thatcher ... I inquire how current relations are between Jeffrey and the Prime Minister. "Whenever I see her I am very respectful. I think carefully about what I'm going to say so that I don't waste her time. I so often find that she has considered constituency matters in great depth even before I present my reports.".

I put away my notebook, attempting an inscrutable Joan Collins-type smile, and fingering his two solid silver cigarette boxes, life-size reproductions of his two best-sellers inscribed: "Presented to Jeffrey Archer to celebrate 1,000,000 copies sold by Coronet paperbacks".

He accompanies me to the lift remarking cheerfully that "the tide is turning. The knockers", he says, "have had their day".

# Too young to be a grandfather

FIRST PERSON

### Joseph Kelly

**The speed and unexpectedness took my breath away. Still able to look at myself in the shaving mirror now and again without too much pain, making favourable comparison with colleagues and friends when it came to weathering the onslaught of middlescence, the news hit me like a hammer blow delivered somewhere due south of the navel. A grandfather at 48?**

**I felt a little aggrieved for I had barely recovered from the announcement of the wedding. An 18-year-old daughter intent on matrimony is not, and was not, easily put off the notion. Nor for *that* matter was an 18-year-old potential son-in-law. Frantic visits to friendly bank managers over, we were reeling back to equilibrium when I was *informed* that I was married to a grandmother-to-be.**

**This was a greater shock than the realization that my *ménage* had suffered a nest loss of 30 per cent and that I had regained control over a bathroom. I knew for a fact that I was not the youngest grandfather-to-be in the *Guinness Book of Records*, but I surely felt as if I were. While trying to come to terms with the prospect, daughter delivered the *coup de grace*, so to speak, by producing a very nice little boy.**

**My own experience of grandparents was firmly based on dealings with elderly people, mature citizens who looked and acted ageing and aged. I now look quizzically at the queen of the *local* grandmothers stepping out on her way to the keep-fit and have made the necessary psychological readjustments. She has no intention of being the little old lady in a rocker nor does she intend to let me run to seed. The only running she has in mind is jogging and inevitably I must fall into step.**

**The addition of a regular visit to Habitcare and Mothertat, as a normal feature of Saturday shopping, has left me dumbstruck at the range of chattels, fixtures and general equipage that grandparents can purchase to make straight the way of the infant. And do! Don't be deluded. It's what's in the cradle that rules the world, and those little hands have a death grip on the purse strings.**

**Readjustments have had to come from me. Among close acquaintances the joshing has now died down about whether I will be called Grandpa, Papa, Grandsquire or Gramps. I refuse to reveal the truth. I have learned to tolerate the line that begins, 'Ah but you're a grandfather now ...' without becoming too suffused with ill-concealed rage.**

**I can even manipulate the coach-built pram (payable into the next century; the boy will be paying for it himself) with some expertise as self, daughter and grandson test the parameters of the patience of public transport. There's always one little question however that still itches for an answer. Notwithstanding the evidence of Guinness; a grandfather at 48?**

# The hormone at the root of ambition

MEDICAL BRIEFING

**A normally timid person can turn into an ambitious leader if there is the slightest increase of the hormone testosterone in her system. Although there is scarcely enough of it in the bloodstream to smear the glass of a small wrist-watch, the hormone is so potent that any imbalance can cause dramatic personality changes.**

**One Iron Curtain leader whose behaviour gradually softened had a personality change because his testicles atrophied as a result of torture earlier in his life, according to informed sources. The immediate effect of atrophy of the testes, whether from mumps, bacterial infection or trauma, is to destroy the very sensitive cells which produce the sperm.**

**But the Leydig cells, where the hormone is made, are much more rugged. Atrophy *does* affect them and there is a testosterone loss, but it occurs slowly and progressively over a 10 to 15-year span, during which time the victim's character gradually softens.**

**Men have a testosterone level of between 10 and 35 nanomoles per litre; women between 0.7 and 2.7 nanomoles. These figures are related to the level of a sex hormone binding globulin (SHBG) which by combining with testosterone acts as a balance. It is the level of free testosterone which is important; if the SHBG is high, the high testosterone is counterbalanced.**

**The free testosterone level in women is particularly important after the menopause. The oestrogen / testosterone / SHBG balance is lost as the ovaries start to atrophy.**

**At this time of life many women react to the higher proportion of testosterone by becoming more forceful and commanding. It is observed that they tend to be increasingly interested in roles where leadership is important, and are often ambitious to become magistrates, councillors or politicians.**

**The difference between a testosterone level of one or two nanomoles may be minute, but to a household, or even a country, it can be the difference between tyranny or liberalism.**

## Distemper jabs to help the family

Distemper jabs for your dog could be vital to the health of the human members of your family, according to a new study which points to dogs as probable carriers of Paget's disease – the main symptom of which is the painful enlargement of the head.

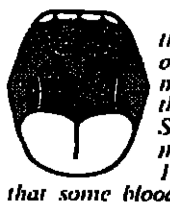
A report in *The Lancet* suggests that the disease may be transmitted by dogs. Paget's victims spend twice as much time with dogs than those who do not and the large number of cases in the North-west of England may be due to the proximity in which people and dogs live there.

It has been known for some years that there is a familiar pattern to the disease; a possible explanation is that the children of dog owners could be expected to grow up to be dog owners in their time. Pagets affects 3 per cent of people over 40 and 10 per cent over 80. Men are more likely to suffer than women.

Viral particles have been discovered in the bones and although the virus has never been identified, the possibility now occurs that it could be canine distemper. In that case the immunization of all dogs against distemper becomes an important preventative human health measure.

The disease alters the architecture of the skeleton, the commonly affected sites being the skull, pelvis, thighs, legs, spine, collar bone or upper arm. Damage to the nervous system can result from changes in the spine, deafness may follow pressure on the eighth nerve and joints may become arthritic.

## When you don't need to get the needle



*In a few case, the time honoured blood test may give way to the spit test. A Sheffield rheumatologist in the 1950s showed that some blood tests could be replaced by using saliva instead. He proved that, although there was no overall relationship between blood and spit levels, salivary levels of many individual substances reflect blood levels. The work of Dr Harry West, has, over the past few years, been revived by Professor Vivian James of St Mary's and Dr Drama Fahmy in Cardiff.*

*Salivary estimation is particularly accurate for measuring steroids, including sex hormones, which make it a useful procedure in fertility studies, and the identification of many drugs.*

*Although it can never replace most blood tests it has advantages. The patients, whose veins are damaged, are spared the anxiety caused by the syringe and needle. In small dribbling children it is easier to collect spit than blood. And for any age group, the specimen can be taken at home, making it possible to take measurements at several different times of the day. But even when the substances are present in the saliva in a large enough quantity to make calculations possible and the patient is prepared to provide saliva, it is imperative that good laboratory technique is available.*

## A licence to grow for tiny children

**A state-owned Swedish firm and a free enterprise American company have combined to produce a genetically engineered growth hormone which will give renewed hope to 1,100 stunted British children.**

**A licence has now been issued by the DHSS which will allow treatment to resume, after a suspicion that the hormone used previously, which was produced from frozen pituitaries collected from the post mortem room, might be a source of the virus which causes Creutz feldt-Jakob disease, a fatal progressive dementia.**

**In Britain, as the post-mortem collected hormone was in short supply, permission to treat any child was given by an expert committee after it could be shown that the lack of stature was due to a deficiency in the growth hormone. Kabivitrum, the company producing the artificial hormone, told *The Times* that they will continue to restrict their promotion to the same group of children, although in the United States the indications for treatment have been much wider and it has been used on children who were unusually short.**

**Although supplies of growth hormone will now become readily available a vial will cost £28 and a child needs three vials a week until growth stops.**

**Dr Thomas Stuttaford**

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## Cat people walk alone

The wildlife organizer of Greenpeace, scientist Mark Glover, has resigned over a decision to stop the organization's worldwide campaign against fur trapping. The decision by Greenpeace International, following lobbying by representatives of North American Indians and Eskimos, was forced on the British branch after it was outvoted at a meeting last month. Now Glover is founding an alternative anti-fur crusading organization, Lynx. Greenpeace UK chairman Bryn Jones has given him permission to use its striking David Bailey "dumb animal" posters and film. Jones says: "It's been a blow but we are doing our own research, not least into the bona fides of those claiming to represent the Indians." Will he be joining Lynx? "I'm helping Mark because he's a friend – but no, I won't be joining."

## Force majeure

An announcement from the Vatican on who is to succeed Archbishop Bruno Heim as papal nuncio to the Court of St James's is overdue by weeks. I now know why. At the time, it was thought that only an earthquake would delay the naming, and that is exactly what happened. Sources tell me the man the Vatican was about to put forward to the Foreign Office for *agrément* (formal diplomatic notice of acceptability), was the Pope's representative in Mexico City, Archbishop Girolamo Prigione. But the Vatican decided Mexico needed all the support it could get in the earthquake's aftermath. Prigione is still the favourite for London – and for promotion. By an irony of history the papal diplomat in "Catholic" Mexico is a mere apostolic delegate, so a transfer to "Protestant" Britain would move him into the first rank of diplomats, those with full ambassadorial status.

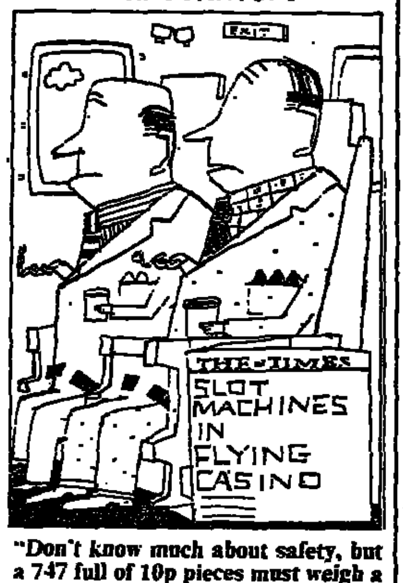
## Tongue-tied

Someone should tip David Steel the wink. He has just marked in his public diary: "Nov 13, lunch. Fourth Estate Group of parliamentary correspondents." Poor Steel obviously thinks this could be one event where his purple prose on the likes of Owen will get guaranteed coverage. Far from it. The Fourth Estate is the most secret (and consequently rather pointless) lunch club in the House; not a word can be breathed after the port is drained. When one hack did – probably on the merits of the spotted dick or some such – he was drummed out.

## On his Owen

Talking of the pair, Sunday could be David Owen's big day. Two years ago Mrs Thatcher refused to allow the SDP leader to place a wreath at the Cenotaph; last year, after much pleading, both he and David Steel were permitted to do so. This Sunday, however, Steel has let it be known that he may not arrive back in time from Canada to attend the Remembrance service, so Owen may be left to place two wreaths.

BARRY FANTONI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SLOT MACHINES IN FLYING CASINO

**"Don't know much about safety, but a 747 full of 10p pieces must weigh a hell of a lot"**

## Petty politics

A vote by Sheffield councillors to ban fairs that give goldfish as prizes has incensed the city's blind leader David Blunkett. Confessing that he'd cherished his goldfish as a child, even though he could not see it, Blunkett – also a dog-lover – warned Labour colleagues: "We're laying ourselves open to ridicule." His pleas for reason unheeded, he ended by storming from the council meeting shouting: "Sentimental twaddle!"

**● Following my report yesterday about the CND election entries, an official rang to say the "comedian in their ranks" is John Cox ("he is very proud of his entry") and not, as I thought, Vic Allen. The latter, who is standing as CND chair, is the Sheffield Trades Council nominee.**

## Word from above

A source reads political significance into an unprecedented decision by the British government to allow Aer Lingus to change its call sign from "Aer Lingus" to "Shamrock". "So now you'll have an Irish Republic airline roaring into Heathrow using 'Shamrock' when in fact the shamrock is the emblem for all-Ireland," says my informant. "I'm convinced it has something to do with the impending deal between the UK and the Irish Republic."

**PHS**

# Where will tin's corrosion stop?

### Michael Prest measures the fallout from the £1 billion crisis among banks and metal dealers

Today, members of the London Metal Exchange are due to take one of the most important decisions in the exchange's long history. The specific item on the agenda is whether to recommence trading in tin, which has been suspended for a fortnight. The ramifications of that decision have made the exchange the epicentre of the most serious financial crisis to afflict the City of London in years.

The cause is £1 billion in debts incurred caused by the London-based International Tin Council. A great deal is at stake: the solvency of the exchange's members and indeed its very existence; and also the reputation of London as an international marketplace, the integrity of international organizations formed by treaty under the auspices of the United Nations, and the fundamental concept, underpinning all financial dealings, of the sanctity of contract.

The thread binding all these issues together is the serious over-supply in the tin market. For 29 years a floor price for tin has been maintained by the International Tin Council, which at present has six tin-producing members, and 16 consumer members, one of which is Britain.

In recent years production has outstripped demand. Tin-producing members of the ITC have imposed export quotas, but even so this year supply is expected to be only 15,000 tonnes less than demand – and tin stocks stand at 100,000 tonnes, or more than six months' demand.

Part of tin's problem has been changing technology. Cans that once used tinplate are now made from aluminium and plastic. But the ITC itself has contributed to this. As producer members pushed up the minimum price of tin specified in the agreement, other materials become more competitive. At the same time, tin producers which are not members of the ITC increased output. These countries are expected to sell 17,000 tonnes this year.

Britain finds itself in an uncomfortable position. Successive governments have exploited high tin prices to revive Cornwall's ancient tin-mining. Cornwall will produce 5,000 tonnes this year. But production costs are still high, and a price collapse could cost the county thousands of jobs.

At the heart of the ITC's operations is the buffer stock, run by a resourceful Dutchman, Pieter de Koning. He sells when prices rise towards an agreed ceiling, and buys when prices fall. The current floor price, fixed in 1982, was set in Malaysian dollars (since Malaysia is the world's biggest tin producer) at the equivalent of £8,500 a tonne.

In recent months, as the sterling price of tin fell, de Koning was obliged to buy more and more. Banks that financed the buffer stock and metal traders who took advantage of the apparently guaranteed price offered all saw the ITC effectively as a sovereign risk. Indirectly they were doing business with 22 governments, including all EEC members.

Then on October 24 disaster struck. De Koning telephoned the exchange to say he had run out of cash and his buffer stock operations would be suspended "indefinitely". The exchange had no choice but to suspend trading in tin.

Production and trading of tin and other metals around the world have stalled. Huge sums are at stake. Apart from the 62,000 tonnes of tin in his buffer stock, de Koning has contracts to buy another 68,000 tonnes, mainly from 15 of the exchange's 28 members. Brokers of the exchange are owed up to £600 million. On top of that the ITC has commitments to other dealers, and owes a group of 16 banks and metal dealers who directly finance the buffer stock £300 million.

All of these debts, amounting to perhaps £1 billion, must be financed. Otherwise several exchange brokers may be forced out of business. Their parent companies will have to decide whether to honour their subsidiaries' debts. The Bank of England believes no banks are threatened, but the ripple effect of failures in the exchange would touch all those firms' clients around the world. The impact on the reputation of the City would be devastating, far worse than last year's collapse of Johnson Matthey Bankers.

Despite repeated pleas from the exchange that time is not on its side, official action has been dilatory. It might be thought that the 22 sovereign signatories to the tin agreement would announce first that they would pay the buffer stock's debts, and argue later about how much and when.

But so far just the British government has said unequivocally that it will pay its share, and Leon Brittan, the Trade and Industry Secretary whose department is responsible, did not make that statement until a week after the crisis broke.

Suggestions that the Bank of England make a bridging loan of perhaps £300 million – the difference between the price at which tin was sold to the ITC and the price at which it might trade again – to exchange members and banks has received no public response. The Bank still nominally "oversees" the London commodity markets, and if the exchange had been a bank the reaction might have been very different. As it is, the exchange brings in £200 million a year in invisible earnings.

The great danger now is that the exchange will be forced to resume tin trading without a buffer stock. In the ensuing chaos, when 15,600 tonnes of tin could come on to the market at cut-throat prices within two weeks of reopening, some firms in the exchange will be under great strain. But it is as important that exchange members stand by their obligations as it is that international organizations meet theirs. A failure of both would leave international commerce even riskier than it is now.

*The author is financial correspondent of* The Times.

## Reluctance to admit the truth could spread disaster, reports Alan Stewart

# Aids: a deadly silence in Africa

The Republic of Rwanda, a former Belgian protectorate squeezed between Zaire and Uganda, has the distinction of being Africa's most densely populated country. The people of what is known locally as the country of the thousand hills are spread out in small groups of houses dotted over its rolling countryside.

In Rwanda's two large towns lurks its second, less enviable distinction – the Aids virus. It is present in such force that the International Red Cross recently discovered that one blood donor in five, men and women alike, was infected with it.

The number of Rwandans dead and dying from Aids is not known. A visit to the only hospital in the capital Kigali last month revealed that one patient in six in both men's and women's wards was a suspected Aids case. The symptoms could, of course, be due to other diseases – swollen lymph glands, excessive fatigue and a form of skin cancer known as Kaposi's sarcoma have all been present in Rwanda as long as the doctors can remember. Today, however, these are symptoms of a disease for which there is no known treatment. Nobody recovers from Aids.

Or so the doctors believe. "Patients come here because they are feeling unwell and because they believe we can do something for their condition," says Dominic Rouvoy, a Belgian internist who has worked for 18 months in Kigali. "After a while they realize there is nothing we can do to treat their condition so they go away. We may see them again, we may not. The ones we do see again are people whose condition has deteriorated so seriously that they come here to die. But of the patients we do not see again, have they recovered or have they died? We cannot tell."

Rouvoy's casebook covers just over 300 cases of Aids that he has seen since last year. Just under half are women. One is a medical assistant working in the hospital. In addition, 50 children have been seen at the hospital this year; a quarter have died already, infected fatally in the mothers' womb. One Rwandan doctor refers to children in Kigali, already severely malnourished, as "a threatened species".

Medical opinion in Rwanda is split as to how this incurable disease is transmitted. The Belgian doctors – part of a *service de co-operation* – are forbidden to speculate. The reason for this is political. The European belief is that Aids is primarily a sexually transmitted disease whose spread has been accelerated by the breakup of rural family units, rapid urbanization, and a concentration of overcrowding, prostitution and poor hygiene in the shanty towns around Kigali and Butare.

The Rwandan government is most reluctant to accept this analysis. Dr Casimir Bizimungu, director of the University Hospital in Butare, prefers to blame his own profession. Inefficient modern medicine is the culprit – badly sterilized needles passing the infection from person to person in inoculation and vaccination programmes; blood transfusions in which one infected person can transmit the virus into the national blood bank. Bizimungu believes that "the transmission of Aids through sexual relationships is rather rare".

This difference of opinion is critical because in the absence of consensus, no steps whatever are being taken to control the spread of the disease. Already an estimated quater of a million people are infected with the virus in a country whose population is one-tenth that of Britain. And of the 300 people known to have contracted the disease itself, just four have been told what they are suffering from. The rest have no motive to alter their pattern of sexual behaviour or even to protect their families.

This would not matter much if the Rwandan interpretation of the means of transmission were correct. Unfortunately, all the evidence suggests that the Aids virus is transmitted sexually, just as everywhere else. Incidence of infection in the towns is about five times that in the countryside, even though blood transfusions are available in medical centres throughout the country. And the victims of the disease are without exception sexually active adults, rather than the older children who would be expected to develop the disease if inoculation programmes were to blame.

Steps are being taken to treat blood donation and hospital sterilization with greater care. But if the disease is sexually transmitted this will scarcely help. And without any serious effort to control the spread of infection, doctors can see no limit on the proportion of the adult population who *will* eventually harbour the virus.

Rwanda at least admits that the Aids virus is at large and encourages medical research. Other countries in the Central African Aids belt pretend that the problem does not exist at all. Zambia prefers that the word Aids is not used by British medical researchers there. Zaire has permitted a joint Belgian-American research team to work in the Mama Yemo hospital in Kinshasa, but has so far forbidden them to speak about or publish any of their findings, even though they are said to have established that one adult in 10 in Kinshasa is infected. Unless the existence of the disease is admitted, no measures can be conceived to limit its spread.

And spread the Aids virus undoubtedly will. The unluckiest country lying it its remorseless path is Kenya, where enormous strides have been made in the eradication of diseases endemic in neighbouring countries and where a booming tourist trade could vanish almost overnight should Nairobi attract a bad reputation. Inquiries at several levels of the Kenyan government health service produced evasive replies. Kenya has no facilities for doing the blood tests that confirm whether a patient has the virus; therefore there are no confirmed cases; therefore the disease cannot be said to have arrived in Kenya.

The truth is less comforting. Kenyan medical sources confirm that there have been over 20 deaths from Aids since May last year, some of them wealthy Ugandans who venture to Nairobi for treatment. Because the disease does not officially exist, Kenyan doctors have been unable to treat these patients in isolation wards. More worrying still, a survey carried out by a joint Belgian-Kenyan team on Nairobi prostitutes showed that no less than 64 per cent had come into contact with the Aids virus, and that one in three of a sample of prostitutes working in a large hotel patronized by British tourists was carrying the antibodies. This survey has not been published.

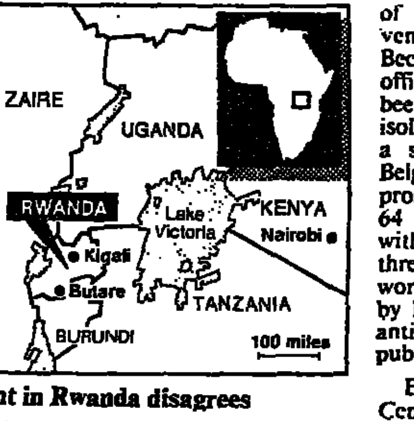
European doctors working in Central Africa are well aware of the justified sensitivity of the governments that are their hosts, and in some cases their employers. But they see only a rolling tide of infection unless some public effort is made to inform Africans about the nature of the disease and the kind of safer sex that western high-risk groups such as homosexuals are now practising.

Dr Nathan Clumeck, head of the Belgian team doing research on Rwanda, is convinced that European countries will soon appreciate the urgency of the Aids epidemic in Central Africa. "If I want to be cynical I would say that it is not in our interest to control malaria, simply because malaria poses no threat to us. But it is in our interest to control Aids. We have a relationship with these African countries. And unless we treat the control of this epidemic as a priority, we will face an ineradicable reservoir of a lethal virus, which could infect Europeans living, working and travelling in Africa for the foreseeable future."

*The author is producer of a TV Eye programme on Aids screened on ITV last night.*

**Sounding the alarm: Nathan Clumeck (left) and Dominic Rouvoy**

**Dr Bizimungu: his government in Rwanda disagrees**



# Life in the firing line for a Cape Town editor

Bringing out a daily newspaper in a country in painful transition is a taxing and at times poignant experience. As editor of the *Cape Times*, Anthony Heard finds himself having to reconcile a host of conflicting demands, the most pressing being survival in the teeth of an economic recession, restrictive legal measures and a political onslaught of great ferocity.

His readers – mainly middle-class, half of them whites and the other half so-called Coloured (mixed-race), with some blacks – are by now aware that a social shift of fundamental importance has begun in the country.

In white suburban tennis clubs in the cape peninsula, there is apprehensive speculation about the future and even some talk of emigraton. Reactions to the slow realization that the good old days are going varies greatly. For every suburbanite who is convinced that radical change is inevitable, and indeed desirable, there are others who will say, in a poolside converstional aside, that the trouble is the police are not shooting enough of "them".

Although feelings in the black and coloured communities of the Cape are raw and resentful, in an experience the full brunt of police counter-insurgency action, very little of this spills over into white neighbourhoods. Some whites have had terrifying experiences, running the gauntlet of stone-throwing, fire-bombing mobs, but life for most remains deceptively normal, if economically straitened.

Anthony Heard is currently facing the threat of prosecution and imprisonment for publishing a full-page interview with Oliver Tambo, president of the African National Congress. It is an offence in South Africa to publish the works of Tambo or anyone else declared a banned person.

The conflicting demands on the editor's endurance and emotional balance are intense. Seeking to report the news as fully and fairly as possible, Heard is at the same time desperately anxious about the safety of his reporters and photographers.

As the Botha government has prohibited all television and photographic coverage of incidents of unrest, the police have taken to holding *Cape Times* journalists as they arrive in a disturbed area, escorting them off the scene and preventing them from observing what is going on.

The task of maintaining the paper's credibility on both sides of the colour line in this situation is difficult, particularly when legal dilemmas and official obstruction complicate otherwise straightforward editorial decisions. Infringement of the Police Act means risking a 10-year prison sentence, and it is the editor who goes to jail. This onerous statute makes it a crime to publish "untruths" about the police force without having taken all "reasonable steps" to verify a report.

One story came in at night, recently, that police had just burst into a house, chased a visitor out into the back yard and shot him dead. Several eyewitnesses in the house corroborated the report, saying the visitor was a friend who had dropped in for a chat just minutes before. The police, when asked by a reporter what had happened, said the matter was under investigation and declined to give any further information.

The question, as the deadline approached, was whether or not to publish. If the published account was in any respect "untrue", would a court of law hold that the paper had taken all reasonable steps to verify it? Was it tenable to delay publication until the police might be ready to give their version of the shooting? Were the police deliberately trying to hold up publication?

On deadline, editorial executives decided to go ahead and publish, with a statement that the report was under investigation by the police. A day or so later a police statement was forthcoming – to the effect that they had been chasing a man suspected of taking part in a petrol bomb attack a few blocks away and they had followed him into the premises in question where a shot was fired, killing the suspect.

Police officers recently visited the *Cape Times* offices twice in one day in connection with reports which had appeared in the newspaper. When the roster of pending cases begins to grow, how much time is left for editing a newspaper?

A political columnist has now told the editor that his family has received a death threat in response to a recent column. The risk cannot be wholly discounted that the odd lunatic might seek to give effect to such threats. Encouragement is needed for a staff which endures abusive telephone calls from extremists and cranks on all sides.

Whatever kind of South Africa is to emerge, Anthony Heard seems to believe, the *Cape Times* can help to ease the transition. The paper seeks to promote peaceful solutions, which is why he published the Tambo interview, offering the views of an essentially moderate black leader to a South African readership which has long been taught to regard the ANC as anathema.

It was a courageous, perhaps a historic, decision and it is hard to know what the personal consequences will be for Heard. Yet it remains hard to imagine that the *Cape Times*, having come so far, will not survive the transition into a new South Africa.

**Gerald Shaw**

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### David Watt

# Ghosts at the summit table

The last summit meeting in Geneva was in July 1955. Its achievements were described by Marshal Bulganin, then a member of the Soviet Union's post-Stalin collective leadership: "We opened a new road to the solution of international problems at Geneva. It was there that President Eisenhower introduced us to the dry Martini."

Heavy-handed diplomatic bonhomie, inviting some such jovial reply as "perhaps it is safer than the Molotov cocktail, ho, ho". But Bulganin's observation was a just one all the same. Gin, I suppose, was as near an approximation to a real "spirit of Geneva" as anyone ever distilled on that occasion. The superpower rivalry continued more or less unaffected.

Yet the 1955 summit was potentially important. It was the first time an American president had met the Russian leaders since the peace conference at Potsdam, 10 years earlier. The cold war had taken place without any personal contact between Stalin and President Truman but here, at last, was a new generation of Soviet politicians gingerly feeling their way on to the international stage, where the genial Ike was waiting with the French and British prime ministers to receive them.

Moreover the meeting came at one of those brief but pregnant moments in East-West relations when there appears to be a balanced pause in the proceedings. West Germany had just joined Nato, The Warsaw pact had just been completed. The Austrian peace treaty had been signed, the Korean war settled. Some kind of postwar plateau seemed to have been reached, and there was a feeling that some new "rules of the game" if not actual reconciliation could be achieved.

What went wrong? Dean Acheson, the former secretary of state who had been taken along as an adviser, described the scene with his usual sense of style: "The Russians approached the table with gusto. They talked long and earnestly, and, as others had done, proclaimed their unalterable devotion to peace. They gave dinners, they proposed toasts: they were photographed in the full ferocity of their friendliness. Amid all this, it quite escaped notice that they refused any (serious) discussions."

The reality was not quite so simple. First, the Russian delegation of Bulganin, Nikita Khrushchev and Marshal Zhukov was, to put it mildly, ill at ease within itself. Bulganin and Khrushchev were slugging out the succession battle. Zhukov, who had become a military buddy of Eisenhower in the war, was neutralized by the necessity of not seeming too pro-American.

The second difficulty was that Eisenhower overplayed his hand. John Foster Dulles, the secretary of state and a legalistic crusader against communism, had been against going to Geneva at all. McCarthyism was still a very recent phenomenon and there was a certain amount of right-wing criticism in Congress. Eisenhower was determined to go ahead with the summit in order, as he put it, to open up a new period in US-Soviet relations, but he felt obliged to placate the Dulles camp with some visions of an "advance" against the Soviet position.

He therefore put forward not only an "open skies" proposal for mutual inspection of nuclear testing (which Khrushchev immediately used to upstage Bulganin by denouncing it as an espionage plot) but also demanded free elections in a reunified Germany and an end to the depradations of international communism in the world at large. Neither of these being remotely negotiable by the Russians, there was not much serious left to talk about.

This piece of history is worth digging up beause there are some obvious parallels with today – the new Soviet leadership, the "nice guy" American president with the cold warriors pulling at his coat-tails, above all the sense that a kind of precarious equilibrium exists for an instant. We seem to have reached a moment – after the deployment of the Soviet medium-range missiles and the western "cruises"; after Afghanistan on the one hand and Soviet reverses in Africa and Central America on the other, after all the inconclusive and dangerous coming and going in the Middle East, and with economic crisis threatening on both sides of the East-West divide – when neither side is sufficiently far ahead to have much real interest in refusing a truce.

In some important respects the situation now is better than 1955. Mikhail Gorbachov appears to be more firmly in the saddle than Khrushchev was at a similar stage. And in contrast with the Eisenhower period, today's international arrangements include an implicit superpower agreement on their respective spheres of influence in Europe. Finally, in this telecommunicating age, both sides have an even greater incentive than in 1955 to avoid the propaganda costs of being responsible for a "failure". There is no rational reason why we should not see some agreement (i) to desist from another ruinously expensive round of armament and (ii) to increase practical security arrangements which seem likely to reduce suspicion and ignorance and increase knowledge and trust.

It is hard to say whether Gorbachov, let alone his shadowy colleagues, has reached the conclusion that such things are worth paying for. What is certain, however, is that nothing serious will happen unless President Reagan is ready to modify two assumptions that prevented agreement in 1955 and throw out one that Eisenhower had actually abandoned. The first, at the root of the Pentagon position, is that the US needs to retain a huge military superiority over the Soviet Union. The second, a tenet of Dulles, is that the world is a vast chessboard and that every square menaced by the red pieces is of equal importance. The last assumption, contained in the Star Wars initiative, is the dream that the US can and should somehow regain her pristine, nineteenth-century invulnerability.

I am not discussing here (as I have in the past) whether Reagan ought to make these changes, or even whether his own personality or political situation allows them. I merely state that without some compromises of the kind, there will be no real dialogue with the other superpower and the spirit of Geneva will probably be as evanescent today as it was 30 years ago.

### *moreover . . .* Miles Kington

# Twist in a tale of silence

Mr and Mrs Chivers had lived in the same house together for 25 years but for the last 20 of these they had not spoken to each other. They avoided each other by day and avoided each other by night. Occasionally they bumped into each other, but never said sorry. This happens to people more often than you might think, so the reader should not feel too heart-stricken on their account.

From time to time their daughter Susan, a college student, visited them to try to patch things up and to borrow money from her father. It was generally useless.

"Mum, why don't you talk to Dad?"

"Not until he promises never to do it again."

"Dad, won't you start talking to Mum again?"

"I will, if she says sorry for what she said to me."

But as nobody could remember what Dad had done and what Mum had said on that occasion 20 years ago, this line of attack did not lead very far. Pride is a terrible thing.

One day Susan arrived with a newspaper cutting, and showed it excitedly to her father.

"Dad, I've found something that might bring you and Mum together again at last!"

Dad, who had never heard of a newspaper cutting bringing anyone together again, and was on the whole not unhappy with the way things had worked out, hrumphed slightly, but he agreed to read it. The cutting was of an advertisement placed in a top Sunday paper by a well-known TV company, or at least by a badly known producer in a well-known TV company. It said:

"Well-known TV company is planning a sincere and thoughtful documentary on married couples who have not spoken for the last 20 years. Would any couple who suffers from this problem, and does not object to sharing their experiences with a sincere and thoughtful audience, get in touch, singly or together, with Jack Twist."

"There might be some money in this, Susan," said Dad, who knew a man who had once been paid £25 by ITV for giving his eye-witness account of a plane crash, although he could easily have asked for £200 and got it. "Ask your mother what she thinks."

After complicated negotiations Susan persuaded her parents to agree to get in touch with Jack Twist. Twist, an eager young man who was also making a documentary on inner village blight and another on the sociology of the video library, did not reply personally but got his secretary to tell all silent married couples to turn up one Thursday morning. He was staggered to find that over 70 couples had answered his request.

"I see this programme as a sensitive, caring attempt to show that your problem is not unique," he told the unnaturally silent audience, all of whom had only come for the money. "It may bring comfort to other people who may be in the same . . ."

The next time Susan came home, she found Dad in animated conversation. However, he was talking to a woman that Susan had never even seen before.

"Ah, Susan," said her father, "this is Mrs Murgatroyd, a lady I met at those auditions you sent me and your mother to. We got on so well that we are now living together."

"But where is Mum?"

"Living with Mr Murgatroyd, as far as I know."

It seemed a happy outcome, except for Jack Twist, who watched all his beautifully silent couples reform into contentedly garrulous new couples, none of whom now wanted to help with his programme. Coming home late from the office (as usual), he confided his troubles to his wife Irma.

"And what makes it worse is that the one couple who did agree to help me have now made it up and are having a fine old time chatting about all the things they never discussed in the past 20 years. It's quite sickening. They seem to have no idea what television is all about."

"If you knew in what contempt I hold you and your degrading television programmes," said Irma unexpectedly, "you would never dare even to discuss them with me."

Jack's mouth tightened, he stopped talking and they went to bed in complete silence. If he had known just how many years that silence was destined to last, he might have broken the silence there and then with some mollifying remark. But there again, he might not.

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# NORMALITY, POLISH-STYLE

Poland's Government reshuffle is a further step in that country's so-called "normalization" – meaning its return to Soviet bloc norms. When he imposed martial law in December 1981 General Jaruzelski held a unique accumulation of offices: Party leader, Prime Minister, and Defence Minister. Now he retains only the most important job, that of Party leader. His simultaneous elevation to the chairmanship of the Council of State makes his formal position identical to those of several other East European leaders – at least so long as he wears a civilian suit. It remains to be seen how far he will now concentrate his energies on restoring Party control over the many areas of Polish life where it is still weak or non-existent, as Mr Gorbachev would certainly like him to.

One vital area is, of course, the economy. Poland has made a partial recovery since the worst crisis years of 1979 to 1982. According to official figures, industrial production rose by another 2.7 per cent last year. Basic foodstuffs are generally available in the shops again – though at much higher prices. But exports to the West are below target, and national income is still some 10 per cent below the level it reached in the late 1970s. Moreover, it cannot be said that the much-trumpeted economic reforms are proceeding smoothly according to plan. Far from it. As so often before in Poland, they have run into a whole thicket of obstacles and contradictions, and the all-too familiar resistance of entrenched political and industrial bureaucracies. With nearly $29 billion of foreign debt hanging over it like a huge thunder cloud, the Government must know that if it does not press forward through this thicket it will soon be hopelessly bogged down again.

At first glance the appointment of a professional economist as the new Prime Minister would seem to suggest that General Jaruzelski understands this urgency. Yet it is by no means clear that Professor Zbigniew Meissner is the man to take a reformer's axe to this thicket. Most of Poland's best economists agree that the vital organs of *any further reform must include* more decentralization of economic decision-making, more encouragement for secondary and tertiary industries with real export potential, and, last but not least, a serious and sustained attempt at the modernization of Polish agriculture, private as well as state-controlled. Professor Meissner, however, is strongly identified with the heavy industry of his native Silesia, which has been such a burden on the Polish economy – not to mention the Polish environment.

Even if the new Prime Minister does have the political will he alone does not have the political way. A prime minister in a normal Soviet-type communist country is not a very important person. He is the mere executor of the Party leadership's commands. Inasmuch as Poland is becoming more "normal" (in this peculiar sense), so the Party's wishes become correspondingly more important. But there is no strong lobby inside the Party for agricultural modernization or light industrial entrepreneurship, whereas there are powerful lobbies for heavy industry and bureaucratic reaction.

If the face of government, at least, is being "normalized," what about the relations between government and people? Last month's parliamentary elections are cited by official spokesmen as evidence of "normalization" in this field too. Certainly, these spokesmen have scored something of a public relations hit by managing to present as a success what in any other Soviet-bloc country would be considered a disaster: a national average turnout officially put at 78.8 per cent (Solidarity says the real figure was 66 per cent). This means that, even on the official figures, one in every five Poles of voting age was sufficiently committed to make that public gesture of opposition which Solidarity had called for, by abstaining. But it also means that many people who once marched behind Solidarity's banners, and who may still be devastatingly critical of the regime in private, are none the less prepared to pay the Government its pound of outward, public political conformity. These days, even a normal Soviet-type state does not demand much more than that.

This central ground of passive acceptance is, however, based on the assumption that the authorities can deliver what the opposition, in the nature of things, cannot: the basic material goods of life. This is a very fragile assumption. The basic infrastructure of everyday life in Poland – roads, hospitals, schools, housing – is already much decayed. So long as the Government can deliver the basic goods it will probably be able to keep the main fires of public opinion dampened down – with some help from its water cannon. But if it cannot sustain the very modest economic recovery, then the fires will burn fiercely.

# MORE LAW, SAME ORDER

The present somewhat paradoxical message of the opinion polls appears to be that as apprehension of the threat of serious crime deepens and outbreaks of disorder on city streets worsen, the public turns with renewed confidence to the set of politicians under whose stewardship these developments have occurred. The indications are strong enough to have emboldened the Government's presenters to play the copper card.

Mr Kinnock scents the danger. There he was in the national sitting room the other night (by invitation of a party political broadcast) sober-suited, Flanders-poppied, service-tied, the very image of a juryman inviting peremptory challenge by counsel for the defence. He spoke seriously and sensibly of crime and disorder in its many forms, the malice in it, the overriding need to be protected from it, the duty to attend to its causes as well as its symptoms. Alas, behind him, in subliminal definition, hovered the features of the egregious Mr Bernie Grant, who recently shot to fame in Tottenham, gift-wrapped for use by Mr Norman Tebbit.

There are too many examples from the GLC outwards of local Labour politicians using resentment against the acts or manners of policemen, some of it ethnic and some of it justified, to inculcate a general attitude of hostility towards the police; to organize opposition to their necessary powers and equipment; and to subordinate their operational responsibility to local political control. Here as in other matters Mr Kinnock is hampered in his brave attempt to make Labour a credible party of government again by the ceaseless activity required to guard the rear from the assaults of his own soldiery.

When the parties are manoeuvring for advantage over the field of law and order it behoves us all to keep a sharp eye on criminal legislation before Parliament. In no other kind of legislation is it more necessary to strike the right balance: balancing powers granted for the prevention of crime and pursuit of the criminal against protection of the liberties of the subject and the rights of suspects; balancing the requirements of effective law enforcement against those of policing by consent. For unless laws are upheld and order maintained by the consent of the generality of the people in all areas, the sense of civil freedom gives way either to fear and disorder or to sullen acquiescence in an order imposed by exterior and superior force.

In his speech in the debate on the Address yesterday Mr Hurd went out of his way to lower the political temperature. The draft Bill on public order that he has taken over from Mr Brittan was long in preparation and is careful in its balance. Its most contentious provision is the introduction of a new minor offence of disorderly conduct aimed at the kind of hooliganism that is distressing to peaceable and elderly people close enough to feel threatened by it.

There is a real mischief there. The problem is to get at it discriminatingly. The objection that the proposed offence would introduce a new source of friction between young people and policemen has to be taken seriously. The objection is met to some extent by the safeguard underlined in the White Paper of its being an essential element in the offence that the behaviour actually causes someone to feel alarmed, harassed or distressed to a substantial degree (not merely have a tendency or be likely to). The need for witnesses to testify to that effect would be some brake on its too easy use as a kind of substitute "Sus" law.

The Bill reflects the preoccupations of several earlier outbreaks of disorder. It does not, unless there are late changes, reflect the experience of the latest round of urban rioting or the collapse of the riot charges arising from the miners' strike. The difficulties about pressing charges commensurate with the gravity of riotous behaviour are the difficulties of identifying culprits, collecting evidence and persuading juries. The first two, though not the last, would be answered by the reintroduction of a Riot Act, whereby a failure to disperse after due warning would itself constitute the offence. This was considered in the White Paper and rejected on grounds of impracticality.

That leaves the proposed legislation offering nothing in this section beyond the conversion of four common law offences into three statutory offences, a little sharper perhaps but much the same. For the prevention and containment of rioting Mr Hurd is looking not to a new framework of law, but to police resources and tactics and, though he is quiet about this at the moment, to measures of social amelioration in the affected areas.

# SETBACK FOR COLOMBIA

Most guerrillas seek publicity, though few with such a disregard for all other objectives as the Colombian M-19. This movement seeks with its attack on the Supreme Court in the Central Plaza of Bogota to revive the notoriety it won some years ago by its capture of the Embassy of the Dominican Republic. The guerrillas' first demands have been for radio and television time. Any publicity which they achieve should lead us, however, to feelings of solidarity very different from those the guerrillas hope to excite.

Colombia is a democracy: it enjoys a high degree of civil liberties, a free press, a functioning Congress and a pluralist political system. It has the least-interrupted electoral record of all the Latin American republics. Its politics have long been dominated by two traditional currents, Liberal and Conservative. Both are flexible, permeable, varied and pragmatic parties, and both draw their support from all social classes. President Belisario Betancur, the candidate of the minority Conservative Party, won a surprise electoral victory in 1982 against the incumbent Liberals. With Liberal participation – by traditional and constitutional provision – he has headed a government which, although its support has dwindled from the record heights of two years ago, still retains some of its early popularity.

Much of that popularity derived from the president's determined efforts to end Colombia's long-standing guerrilla problem – it dates from at least 1948 – by a determined drive for truce, amnesty, pardon and peace. His Liberal contender, Dr Alfonso Lopez Michelsen, has recently declared that no one but Betancur, could have offered so wide an opening, and that the guerrillas would be wise to recognize that such an offer was unlikely to be made again.

Recent events are a bitter disappointment. Betancur's peace process had not failed everywhere. The Moscow-line FARC still adheres to the truce, and has moved towards concrete and sensible agreements with the Government. Despite the continued ability of the M-19 to mount spectacular affrays, active guerrillas have lost their glamour and mystery: the M-19 no longer has anything novel to say. In the last year it has had more than its fair share of access to the media, but has consistently failed to rise to the occasion.

Its numbers are small – a few hundred. It does not represent the alternative government of a Municipio, let alone a republic. Its rank-and-file is predominantly adolescent. Foreign commentators find it convenient to refer to it as "left wing", but it is incapable of formulating any clear programme. More public than most terrorists, less tactically prudent than most guerrillas, the M-19's speciality has been bloody provocation in support of nebulous demands. The attack on the Supreme Court shows not only disregard for their own and other people's lives, but also their lack of regard for an institution that has, contrary to their assertions, played an effective role in preserving the country's freedom. The Supreme Court is not some Colombian equivalent of Batista's Moncada barracks or Somoza's Congress in Managua. It is the symbol of the Colombians' doubtless imperfect but none the less persistent attempt to live according to law. There should be no question of negotiating terms with the perpetrators of this sort of action.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Keeping control of Sunday trading

*From Mr Paul Rippon*

Sir, Although one suspects that the driving force behind the Government's purpose in the abolition of restraints upon Sunday trading is the principle that deregulation is in itself good, there are apparently many who, though not sabbatarians, nevertheless support the present proposals only because they see no viable alternative to the present discredited law.

The Auld committee were specifically enjoined to consider the special nature of Sunday. Rightly, in my view, they rejected any measure which would rely for its enforcement on the criminal law.

The civil law already protects the commercial exploitation of children and uncontrolled gaming by a simple expedient which renders all liability thereby incurred (save only for necessaries in the case of children) unenforceable.

If a similar prohibition was applied to the recovery of payment for the purchase of anything in a shop, either by cheque or by credit card, on a day which, by simple reference to a calendar, is seen to have been a Sunday, it seems to me that "wholesale" trading on that day would be restricted to trivia or items truly needed.

As the mover of the – amended – resolution expressing concern at the present proposals in General Synod in July, I believe that a majority could be found in that body to support a middle way which would preserve the "set-apartness" of Sunday without relying on the present and rightly discredited law or any modification of the list of prohibited items contained in the Shops Act schedule.

Yours faithfully,
PAUL RIPPON,
The Athenaeum,
Pall Mall, SW1.
November 7.

## Action on tin

*From Mr G. C. Douglas*

Sir, The British Government representative on the International Tin Council must have been one of the few people fully aware of the financial situation at the ITC and therefore the Bank of England should have been prepared for the developments which have recently taken place.

The London Metal Exchange is in a state of crisis caused by default of payments by the ITC, where 23 nations have failed to meet their obligations. To my mind, these are national debts, i.e., sovereign guarantees. Surely the IMF and the World Bank cannot stand by when sovereign loans are reneged upon.

Our Government must immediately bring international pressure through the EEC, the IMF and the World Bank to ensure that the Malays, Indonesians and the Thais meet their commitments. We have deferred too long to the lobbies from the Third World and this has been to the detriment of everyone.

Yours faithfully,
G. C. DOUGLAS,
G. C. Douglas (Metals) Limited,
116 Borough High Street, SE1.
November 6.

## Talks with Argentina

*From Dr Harold Blakemore*

Sir, This letter is prompted by your timely and thoughtful editorial, "Optimism in Argentina" (November 5), and to endorse, fervently, as one involved in Latin American affairs, its final sentence: "There is nothing to fear from discussion and debate with Argentina in the tones that shared democracy makes possible".

Precisely: but the discussion and debate on what you describe as "an intractable problem", namely the Falklands dispute, must take into account our willingness to consider the question of sovereignty, as the Government of Argentina has fully acknowledged the wishes of the islanders, for which we fought and for which many died.

All kinds of arrangements – some more transitory than others – have been mooted to reconcile the positions of the two governments and they are worth exploring and discussing. But I have a growing impression that international opinion increasingly regards our Government as the more intransigent of the two: this is very clear in many contexts – the UN, Europe, and Latin America itself.

Whatever may have been the electoral advantage in 1983 of what happened in the South Atlantic in 1982 it ought, surely, to be weighed against the balance of our national and international interests *now*.

"Things", you say, "have therefore changed in Argentina, and only the most blinkered can doubt that it is in Britain's interests too that these gains should be sustained".

No one can disagree with that: the question is, how best may we sustain them?

Yours faithfully,
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November 6.

## Doubts about poll on 'stop-and-search'

*From the Chief Constable of Liverpool*

Sir, Your article, "Stop-and-search 'ineffective'" (November 1), says that "out of every 1,000 stops made by officers in the Merseyside force only 43 arrests resulted, a practice that was probably productive of little else but resentment".

Even a cursory glance at the first chapter of the final report of the Merseyside Crime and Police Surveys reveals the flaws in this argument. The report sets out the categories of "stops":

> It can be estimated with confidence that at least 167,000 stops were made over the year. Of these only 74,000 related to suspected offences (suspect), while 52,500 were for suspected traffic offences (traffic). A further 40,500 stops were made by the police seeking information from witnesses, bystanders, etc (questions).

One does not need to be a criminologist to spot the weakness in this approach. The 52,500 "traffic" stops are hardly likely to have been made with the objective of arresting anyone; rather they will have been made to caution, advise or report motorists in relation to traffic matters.

Similarly, the 40,500 stops made by police officers seeking information from witnesses, bystanders, etc, would be for reasons other than to arrest the person approached. Yet all these "stops" are lumped together to reach the sweeping conclusion about the efficacy of "stop/search" as a policing method.

A much more relevant finding of the research is the revelation that 22 per cent of all arrests by police originated from the stop and search of suspected persons.

A great deal of time is spent exploring the issue of sexual harassment to women and I applaud and support this interest. The subject is, however, rather tenuously related to the findings that 57 per cent of women in the county "worry about going out on their own after dark". This finding is contrasted with a statement that "only 5 per cent of senior officers thought the risk fairly likely that something might happen to women and 34 per cent said simply, that there were no risks".

The question actually asked of police officers was, "Do you think there are risks for women who go out on their own after dark in the area covered by your station?" Sixty six per cent said "Yes".

They were then asked how likely it was that something might happen to the women. Five per cent of senior officers answered "Fairly likely". Sixty one per cent answered "Not very likely".

Set against the actual number of offences against women reported to police (sexual offences against women amounted to 0.29 per cent of reported crime in Merseyside in 1984) it is probable that the professional judgment of police officers is a better measure of actual risk.

The survey, incidentally, was carried out a year ago to provide a base-line measurement to assess the changes brought about by one of the most progressive police management initiatives ever undertaken in this country. It will, hopefully, be repeated as part of a process of evaluation of the force goals.

Yours faithfully,
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Chief Constable's Office,
PO Box 59,
Liverpool.
November 5.

## Right of audience

*From Mr John R. Poole*

Sir, Your leader headline, "Bar barricades" (October 30), said it all, yet "talks" will never be sufficient. This problem is insoluble so long as the two branches of the legal profession have conflicting interests.

I do believe that the only solution is the NSW Australian system which is

1. Common shared legal training.
2. The right to switch, upon mere formalities, from either branch of the profession to the other, after five years' practice.
3. Solicitors meanwhile having full right of audience in all courts, right up to the Court of Appeal.

That system removes all sources of conflict, so harmony prevails. Perhaps unexpectedly, the Bar does not suffer at all from such competition.

The Australians are realistic people. No solicitor in his right mind conducts a case in a superior court unless he feels fully competent to do so (therefore such instances are rare) for it is much cheaper to brief counsel at the client's expense than to defend a negligence suit at one's own.

Conversely, a barrister in court will always lend a helping hand to a solicitor-advocate who may at any time become a new colleague at the Bar and anyway, in the meantime, is always a potential source of future briefs.

Whilst some solicitors do exercise their rights of audience at the crown court level (rightly so, because it is stupid and costly to preclude a competent solicitor-advocate from continuing with his case to trial when he has already had the personal counduct of it through the committal proceedings, if such is the client's wish) yet in general the right of audience is rarely exercised in the superior courts.

Now that the matter has once more come up for discussion, is it too much to hope that the Lord Chancellor and the Bar Council and the Law Society may together move towards the total (not piecemeal) abolition of restrictive practices within the profession, on the lines of Australia?

My qualification for writing this letter is simply that I happen to know how well the Australian system works, being both an English solicitor and a member of the NSW Bar, with experience (before my retirement) of both systems.

Yours truly,
JOHN R. POOLE,
60 Holbrook Road,
Cambridge.
November 7.

## Perilous vehicles

*From Mr R. J. Walker*

Sir, Last year I was involved in an accident in which one man lost his life and I lost my sight. The main cause of the accident was the inadequacy of the side lighting on the heavy goods vehicle into which both cars went at some speed. Although the vehicle was properly lit within the current law, this is quite inadequate for the situation in which we were involved.

The heavy goods vehicle was crossing a dual carriageway to gain access to the other carriageway. Unable to get on to the other carriageway due to traffic, the driver had to stop, leaving his 50ft vehicle completely obstructing the carriageway in which I was travelling.

Approaching the trailer, there was only one small light designed for fore and aft observation and not to be seen when being approached at right angles and as the trailer was only 2 ft high, being a low-loader, it was virtually invisible.

The side lighting was in no way designed for this circumstance and it is quite obvious that the law needs to be changed. There are some Continental vehicles which are required to have festooned lights along the side and as such are very visible.

There needs to be an urgent review of the law in this area in order to prevent further accidents of this nature.

Yours faithfully,
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Cuckfield, Sussex.

## Freedom's other face

*From Mr C. R. Brand*

Sir, It seems to have come as a surprise to British commentators that Soviet thought has no word for "freedom", as President Reagan remarked in his recent broadcast interview. In fact, all modern Soviet philosophical texts and reference works hold "freedom" to consist in "the recognition of necessity": that is, in the acknowledgment of and acquiescence in the objective inevitabilities that truly – according to Marx and Engels – structure the world that surrounds us.

This hijacking of the word by the Soviet authorities has been noted by American scholars if not by British commentators, so the President deserves full marks for philosophical alertness.

Yours faithfully,
C. R. BRAND,
71 South Clerk Street,
Edinburgh.
November 3.

## Museum charges

*From Mr Robert J. MacG. Dawson*

Sir, Perhaps a recent experience of mine might go some little way towards explaining the financial difficulties of the V & A.

I was recently in that museum and wanted to buy a postcard of Tippoo's Tiger, undoubtedly one of the most unusual exhibits there.

The cashier in the museum shop told me, "I'm sorry, Sir, they're almost always out of stock. You see, they're so popular."

Yours sincerely,
ROBERT J. MacG. DAWSON,
Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.
November 5.

## Needs of mentally ill

*From the Joint Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department of Health and Social Security*

Sir, The letter (November 5) from Dr Baldwin and his colleagues at Manchester Royal Infirmary on their fears concerning the effect of the Government's social security proposals appears to be based on a complete misconception of what those proposals are.

The Green Paper itself states quite clearly that an important role of the proposed Social Fund will be to help people moving out of institutional care, for example with removal expenses and with furniture, and that this help would normally be through grants, not loans.

Moreover, it also indicates the Government's wish to see a longer term development of the Social Fund idea to help promote "care in the community" in new and more flexible ways through joint working between social security staff and other professionals, such as social workers or health care staff.

This approach has been welcomed by the Social Security Advisory Committee as "an interesting and imaginative proposal", and I hope Dr Baldwin would welcome it too.

Yours etc,
TRUMPINGTON,
Department of Health and Social Security,
Alexander Fleming House,
Elephant & Castle, SE1.
November 6.

## Glory of the VC

*From Colonel P. S. Newton.*

Sir, Your account (October 29) of the tribute paid by The Royal Corps of Transport to the honour of the late Farrier-Sergeant Michael Murphy, VC, highlights a sad chronicle of seven other cases of forfeiture of the Victoria Cross between 1863-1908 under Clause 15 of the warrant of 1856 for having been convicted of felonies.

These ranged from Murphy's theft of ten bushels of oats (which a review board would probably have quashed), the "theft of a cow" (which Sergeant McGuire claimed to be his own), the "theft of iron" (Private Ravenhill), the theft of a comrade's medals (Private Bambrick), and theft and embezzlement from an officer (Private Corbett) to bigamy (General Colliss) and two cases of desertion (Midshipman Daniells and Sergeant Lane), although doubts about these charges existed.

That these brave men, who showed their ultimate courage in the face of the enemy, should have been stripped of their Victoria Crosses for such relatively trifling felonies could perhaps be recognised more formally by the implementation of Clause 15 of the 1961 Warrant which decrees

> . . . it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, to restore the Decoration when such recommendation has been withdrawn . . .

This would only be following the precedent set by King George V according to his private secretary, Lord Stamfordham, who wrote on July 26, 1920:

> The King feels so strongly that no matter the crime committed by anyone on whom the VC has been conferred, the decoration should not be forfeited. Even were a VC to be sentenced to be hanged for murder, he should be allowed to wear the VC on the scaffold.

There have been no forfeitures since then.

Yours truly,
P. S. NEWTON,
Army and Navy Club,
Pall Mall, SW1,
October 31.

## Pyrrhus at the wicket?

*From Professor R. A. Lyttleton, FRS*

Sir, Today's issue ("For the record", November 5) reports that in the Sheffield Shield competition New South Wales beat Victory by 90 runs.

As Chekhov could well have said, "What is victory but defeat looked at from another angle?"

Yours truly,
R. A. LYTTLETON,
Institute of Astronomy,
Madingley Road,
Cambridge.
November 5.

# ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 8 1894

***Between about 1880 and 1913 the western nations were carving up the African continent. Britain, France, Germany, Portugal, Belgium, Spain and Italy all had territory there and each was striving to acquire more. Our Own Correspondent was Valentine (Sir) Chirol.***

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## THE SCRAMBLE FOR AFRICA.

BERLIN, Nov. 7.

German colonial circles are at the present moment greatly exercised as to the probable result of the scramble which is now going on between England, Germany, and France for the possession of the valuable districts in the *Hinterland* of Togo, Dahomey, and the English Niger and Gold Coast territories. Nor do the apprehensions which are freely expressed that Germany will be cut off from the *Hinterland* of Togo by her two rivals unless she rouses herself to more energetic action appear quite unfounded. The British expedition under Captain Lugard and that of the French under Commander Decoeur have already penetrated far into the interior, whilst the German expedition under Dr. Grunert has only recently made a start . . . The expedition under Dr. Grunert is, in the first place, a scientific and surveying mission, but it may be assumed that any treaties which its leader succeeds in concluding in the *Hinterland* of Togo will, if found to be compatible with existing international agreements, be welcomed by the Imperial Government, as there is every reason to believe that the new Chancellor is more favourable to an energetic colonial policy than his predecessor.

But of the various expeditions which threaten to hem Germany's development in the *Hinterland* of Togo that under Mr. Ferguson in the neutral territory to the north-east of the German possessions attracts the chief attention, and the statement recently made here by the *Kreuz Zeitung* and the *Cologne Gazette* that Mr. Ferguson has declared the English protectorate over Salaga and several other places in the neutral sphere has brought down upon the heads of the English a perfect torrent of reproaches on account of their disloyalty. By the Anglo-German agreement of 1888, the English are reminded, Salaga and the surrounding districts were declared to be neutral, but Germany reserved to herself a prior claim to these territories on the strength of the treaties concluded by Major von François. If this statement is confirmed, says the *Cologne Gazette*, the action of the English is nothing more nor less than a breach of international law.

That such accusations against the English should be believed as Gospel truth, though only on the authority of a notoriously untrustworthy German traveller, Herr Krause, is a deplorable but characteristic sign of the distrust entertained towards the British colonial policy in Germany. In this case, at any rate, the interests of Germany and also of these colonial politicians would have been better served by reserving their verdict until a more satisfactory proof was forthcoming of the perfidy of the English than by condemning them as unscrupulous on such flimsy evidence. If they had taken the trouble to obtain authoritative information on the subject they would, as the *Imperial Gazette* to-night remarks, have learnt that, in the first place, the English have not declared a protectorate over Salaga, and, in the second place, that Mr. Ferguson, who is acting in the interests both of Germany and England, has been authorized to conclude treaties with the native chieftains, in order to prevent the possibility of third parties obtaining a footing in the Salaga district. Of the existence of negotiations between England and Germany, which more than a year ago led to this common plan of action, German colonial circles appear to have been in complete ignorance, but this fact can scarcely excuse the, to say the least, imprudent attacks which have been launched against England. Now that this little storm has passed over, one may be permitted to express the hope that the common action of Germany and England in this instance will open up the way for a better understanding on colonial questions than has apparently existed hitherto. With the appointment of an Imperial Chancellor who is more inclined than Count von Caprivi was to favour colonial enterprise, the history of the German colonies is probably entering upon a new phase. – *Our Own Correspondent.*

# COURT AND SOCIAL

## COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
November 7: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning.

The Earl of Caithness had the honour of being received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as a Lord in Waiting to Her Majesty.

The Viscount Davidson had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Lord in Waiting to Her Majesty.

The Baroness Hooper had the honour of being received by The Queen upon her appointment as a Baroness in Waiting to Her Majesty.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, today attended the National Conference and Annual General Meeting at the Pembroke Hotel, Blackpool.

Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Lancashire (Mr Simon Towneley) and the President of the Association (Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, attended by Mrs Andrew Feilden, travelled in an aircraft of 32 Squadron Royal Air Force.

CLARENCE HOUSE
November 7: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother today visited Tyne and Wear, and in the morning visited Thomson House, Newcastle upon Tyne, to mark the Centenary of the "Evening Chronicle".

In the afternoon Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother opened the Port of Tyne Authority's Coal Terminal at Tyne Dock, South Shields.

Her Majesty travelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Lady Grimthorpe, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain James Lowther-Pinkerton were in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
November 7: The Duke of Kent, President of the Business and Technician Education Council, today launched the Open Tec Project "Updating for Business" at the Mall Galleries.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

The Most Reverend Sir Paul Reeves (Governor-General Designate of New Zealand) and Lady Reeves were this evening received by The Duke and Duchess of Kent.

The Duke of Gloucester, President of the Institute of Advanced Motorists, will attend a luncheon at IAM House, 359/365 Chiswick High Road, W4, on November 14.

The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior of the Order of St John, accompanied by the Duchess of Gloucester, will visit the headquarters, St John Ambulance, at 1 Grosvenor Crescent, SW1, on November 18.

The Duke of Gloucester will open Neale-Wade Community College, March, Cambridgeshire, on November 19.

The Duke of Gloucester will present the awards to the winners of the 1985 ASBA/*Daily Telegraph* Business Sponsors of the Arts Award Scheme at the Savoy Hotel on November 20.

The Duchess of Gloucester will visit the Jesse Boot Centre, Nottingham University, the Midland Institution for the Blind, on November 21 and will later open the Radford Road Sub-divisional Police Headquarters, Nottingham.

The Duke of Gloucester will open the King's Buildings, Chester, on November 25 and will later open St Berteline's Church of England Primary School and visit Clayton and Jowett Limited, Runcorn.

The Duke of Gloucester will open the second phase of the Latchmere Leisure Centre, North Battersea, on November 26.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester will attend a service of thanksgiving in Westminster Abbey to mark the centenary of the Soldiers' Sailors' and Airmens' Families Association on November 21.

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*A memorial service for the life of Clara Evelyn Countess of Strafford will be held at Chelsea Old Church, Chelsea Embankment, at noon, on Thursday, November 28.*

The memorial service for Mr Charles Douglas-Home, Editor of *The Times* from 1982 to 1985, will be held in St Paul's Cathedral on Monday, November 25, at noon. The congregation is asked to be seated by 11.45 am.

## Service dinners

**The 15th/19th The King's Royal Hussars**
The annual dinner of the Officers of The 15th/19th The King's Royal Hussars was held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club. Brigadier J. R. D. Sharpe, CBE, Colonel of the Regiment, presided.

**The Middlesex Regiment (DCO)**
The annual dinner of the 7th Middlesex Officers' Club was held last night at the TA Centre, Priory Road, Hornsey. Lieutenant-Colonel J. D. Gunnell presided and the principal guests were Major-General B. P. Hughes and Colonel Sir Colin Cole.

**The Queen's Own Yeomanry**
Officers of The Queen's Own Yeomanry dined at the Cavalry and Guards Club on Thursday October 24. The Commanding Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel D. R. B. Thompson was present and Colonel Viscount Ridley presided. Others present were:
Colonel Viscount Leverhulme, Brigadier W A Findlay, Colonel Basil Rhodes, Colonel G Sparrow, Colonel the Hon R N Crossley, Colonel Sir Houston Shaw-Stewart, Colonel R Martin, Colonel E C York and Lieutenant-Colonel A J Cramsie.

**2nd Punjab Regiment**
The annual dinner of the 2nd Punjab Regiment Officers' Association was held at the Army and Navy Club last night. Brigadier C. J. Tobin presided.

**Movement Control Officers' Club**
The annual dinner of the Movement Control Officers' Club was held last night at the Duke of York's Headquarters. Brigadier C. M. Boyd presided and General Sir Richard Trant, Quarter Master General, was the principal guest.

**Naval and Military Club**
The annual dinner of the Naval and Military Club was held last night at the club. The chairman, Major-General J. H. S. Majury, presided and Lieutenant-General Sir Napier Crookenden was the guest of honour.

**HQ RAF Support Command**
Air Marshal Sir David Harcourt-Smith, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, RAF Support Command, and members of Brampton Park officers' mess held a dinner last night. The guests included Air Vice-Marshal R. I. Stuart-Paul, Air Officer Training. Group Captain D. W. Maurice-Jones presided.

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr P. J. Armstrong**
**and Miss C. S. Turner**
The engagement is announced between Patrick, elder son of Mrs M. M. Armstrong, of Luton, Bedfordshire, and Ceri, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R. M. Turner of St Brides Major, Mid Glamorgan.

**Mr H. T. N. Barwick**
**and Miss E. Foggin**
The engagement is announced between Hugo, son of Mr and Mrs Nevill Barwick of Bath, Avon, and Erica, daughter of Mr and Mrs Myers Foggin, of Birdham, Sussex.

**Mr C. E. Brett-Robertson**
**and Miss L. M. E. Prince**
The engagement is announced between Clive only son of Mr and Mrs E. Robertson, of Struan House, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, and Lucy, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Prince, of Honeywood, East Molesey, Surrey.

**Mr S. D. L. Cake**
**and Miss P. B. Griffin**
The engagement is announced between Stephen, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. I. Cake, of Angmering, Sussex, and Pauline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. J. Griffin, of Worthing, Sussex.

**Mr R. C. Carslake**
**and Miss S. Dorrell**
The engagement is announced between Richard Charles, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. Carslake of Henley-in-Arden, Warwickshire, and Suzanne, second daughter of Mr and Mrs E. J. Dorrell, of Rushton, Shropshire.

**Mr A. D. Cole**
**and Miss A. B. Hood**
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs D. Cole, of Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs B. Hood, of Sproughton, Suffolk.

**Mr D. C. Fildes**
**and Mrs F. B. Rogers**
The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs David Fildes, of Manley, Cheshire, and Frederica, elder daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Edmund Parker Lord, of Framingham Centre, Massachusetts, and Sarasota, Florida.

**Dr H. D. Evans**
**and Miss A. M. Ker**
The engagement is announced between Huw David, son of Commander R. Evans, of Paris, and Mrs M. O'Grady, of Arreton, Isle of Wight, and Alison, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs D. B. Ker, ofFerniehurst, Woking, Surrey.

**Mr C. R. Green**
**and Miss A. M. M. Willett**
The engagement is announced between Colin, elder son of Mr P. F. Green, of Solihull, West Midlands, and Mrs P. M. Green, of Edgbaston, Birmingham, and Anne, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. P. Willett, of Helsby, Cheshire.

**Dr P. M. Harrison**
**and Dr D. A. Stephenson**
The engagement is announced between Phillip Macdonald, only son of Mr and Mrs G. R. Harrison, of Yeovil, Somerset, and Deborah Angela, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Stephenson, of The Bourne, Southgate, London, N14.

**Mr D. R. Harrop**
**and Captain C. Jones, RADC**
The engagement is announced between Duncan Ross Harrop, of Beckum, Federal Republic of Germany, only son of Mr and Mrs W. A. Harrop, of Marple, Cheshire, and Carole, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Jones, of Southport, Lancashire. The marriage will take place at All Saints Church, Marple, on Saturday, December 21, 1985.

**Mr M. Hawkins**
**and Miss E. L. Kennedy**
The engagement is announced between Mark, eldest son of Mr and Mrs F. Hawkins, of Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire, and Emma, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. J. Kennedy, of Maidenhead, Berkshire.

**Mr J Morris**
**and Miss C Mock**
The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Dr and Mrs H. M. Morris, of Altrincham, Cheshire, and Catharine, daughter of Mrs R. Mock, of Bawdsey, Suffolk, and the late Mr R. J. Mock.

**Mr D. K. Oram**
**and Miss K. J. Atkins**
The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs W. K. Oram, of Kenley, Surrey, and Katherin (Kate), twin daughter of Mr and Mrs T. C. Atkins, of Stoke Golding, Leicestershire.

**Mr K. M. Parry**
**and Miss J. S. Morgan**
The engagement is announced between Kelvin, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. E. Parry, of Rhos, Clwyd, and Jill, daughter of Mr D. Morgan, of Wrexham, Clwyd, and the late Mrs R. Morgan.

**Mr N. C. Sturge**
**and Miss L. Delmar-Morgan**
The engagement is announced between Nicholas Sturge of Valbonne, France, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. C. Sturge, of Swallowcliffe, near Salisbury, and Laura, younger daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Delmar-Morgan.

**Mr P. H. Symon**
**and Miss P. M. Roberts**
The engagement is announced between Pyers, youngest son of the late Dr H. D. Symon and Mrs P. Symon, of Oswestry, and Patricia, younger daughter of the late Major M. Roberts, TD, and Mrs J. Roberts, of Worcester.

**Mr S. K Tester**
**and Miss M. E. M. O'Hara**
The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Mrs Audrey Tester and the late Mr Kenneth Tester, of Surbiton, and Margaret, elder daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Daniel O'Hara, of Bradford.

**Mr R. E. Wraith**
**and Mrs M. A. Morris**
The engagement is announced between Ronald E. Wraith, of Cambridge and M. Anne Morris, of Eye, Suffolk.

## Marriages

**Mr J. S. Kelly**
**and Miss K. E. Cooper**
The marriage took place at St John the Baptist, Hagley, of Mr John Simon Kelly and Miss Karen Elain Cooper on Friday, October 25. The bride was given in marriage by Viscount Cobham and Mr James de Courcy Wheeler was best man.

**Mr D. J. Philpott**
**and Miss E. M. Knott**
The marriage took place on October 26, 1985, at the church of St Mary Magdalene, Ashton-on-Mersey, of Mr David Philpott, son of Mr and Mrs Brian Philpott, and Miss Eryl Knott, daughter of Mr and Mrs Eric Knott, both of Sale, Cheshire.

**Mr Rocco Forte, aged 40, only son of Lord Forte, chief executive of the Trust House Forte group, with Miss Aliai Ricci, aged 20, in London yesterday, when the couple announced their engagement.**

## Sale room

# Modern British art fetches high prices

**By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent**

There were some substantial auction prices for modern British pictures yesterday as prices for twentieth century art see-sawed in London and New York, recording both highs and lows. At Bonham's two outstanding Newlyn school paintings were offered. Harold Harvey's "Summer" of 1917, a portrait of his wife picking flowers in a sunlit summer landscape, sold for £31,900 (estimate £25,000-£35,000) while a colourful little interior of 1918 by the same artist depicting two ladies having lunch made £15,400 (estimate £10,000-£15,000).

In Christie's sale of modern British pictures an evocative watercolour by Sargent, also dating from 1918, and entitled "Two Soldiers at Arras" made £21,600 (estimate £12,000-£18,000). They lie exhausted in the grass, one with a gas mask, after an attack of mustard gas. It was given to Princess May, the Princess Royal, by Sargent who had messed with her husband Viscount Lascelles in France in 1918.

Bonham's modern picture sale made £143,800 with 24 per cent unsold and Christie's £274,136 with 22 per cent unsold. The relatively high percentages unsold demonstrate that all is not well in this market; at Christie's most of the Russell Flints were left unsold.

Christie's contemporary art sale in New York suffered the same problems as Sotheby's the day before, with the star lot, Ashile Gorky's "From a High Place" of 1944 left unsold at $1.5 million. The sale made £2.4 million with 35 per cent left unsold. At Sotheby's the 22 works by Mark Tobey made £239,769 with 18 per cent unsold. The top price was $49,500 (estimate $60,000-$80,000) or £34,021.

The sale of atlases and travel books at Sotheby's in London made £950,550 with 12 per cent left unsold. Buyers were found for some very expensive items. The six volumes of David Roberts's *Holy Land* with 241 lithographer plates made £77,000 (estimate £60,000-£70,000) to a private buyer; it was the same copy that Christie's had sold in June, 1984 for £45,360.

The top price among the atlases was £66,000 (estimate £50,000-£60,000) for the 11 volume Blaeu *Atlas Major* of 1662, containing nearly 600 maps and described by Sotheby's as "the finest atlas produced in the history of printed maps".

The £990 (estimate £450-£550) for Claudio Duchetti's engraved map of Ireland of around 1590 seemed to announce a new demand for Irish maps. World maps were also much sought after with Antonio Floriano's large double page engraved map of the world of around 1555 at £7,920 (estimate £2,500-£3,000).

A sale of Japanese prints at Sotheby's in New York indicated that this is another strong market with a total of £262,223 and 4 per cent left unsold. A collection of Hiroshiges did very well with "Morning glories, grasshopper and bamboo" selling at $16,500 (estimate $2,500-$3,500) or £11,340.

# University news

**Cambridge**
Election
D. H. Mellor, MA, PhD, of Darwin College, reader of metaphysics in the University, has been elected into the professorship of philosophy from October 1.

Appointments
University lecturers: Oriental studies, Islamic studies: B F Musallam, MA, (American University of Beirut), PhD, (Harvard), appointed from October 1 for three years; physics: G L T Fasol PhD, (Trinity College), Diplom-Physiker (Ruhr-Universitat, Bochum), appointed from October 1 for three years.

Elections
CHURCHILL COLLEGE
D Pennells, of Cheadle Hulme HS and E Nichols of Peter Symond's Coll, Winchester, have been elected to schoolmaster fellow commonerships for the Michaelmas Term, 1985.

CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE
Elected into a fellowship under statute 9a from October 1: S Pellegrino, of Peterhouse, laurea in ingegneria trasporti (Naples), university assistant lecturer in the department of engineering.

EMMANUAL COLLEGE
Elected into a Rousel research fellowship for three years from October 1: C K McClure, BA, (Northwestern), MSc, (Wisconsin).

FITZWILLIAM COLLEGE
Elected into the fellowship in class A from October 1: Dr P M Ward.

LUCY CAVENDISH COLLEGIATE SOCIETY
Elected into a fellowship (class B) from October 1 on her appointment as college lecturer in history: S J Ridyard, MA, PhD.

TRINITY COLLEGE
Admission to the fellowship under title D: Professor A R Brewer-Carias, as Simon Bolivar professor of Latin American studies; staff fellowship under title C: M S Neuberger, MA, PhD, as college lecturer in cell biology and biochemistry; research fellowships under title A: M G Blamire, BA, for research in physics, T Y Cao, for research in the history of philosophy of sciences, M E Cates, BA, for research in physics, M O Chinca, BA, for research in German, B A Cummings, BA, for research in English, E P S Shellard, for research in cosmology.

Elec Choral exhibitions, for 1985: W A Coggans (tenor), John Lyon School, Harrow, M J Davis (tenor), Worcester RGS, S A A Langton (soprano), Sherborne School for Girls, S C K Olaid (soprano), King's School, Rochester, J M Renney (soprano), The King's School, Worcester, M J Smith (contralto), Wells Cathedral School, P A Turner, (contralto), N London Collegiate School; for 1986: C J Foster (soprano), Dean Close School, Cheltenham.

Fellow commoners 1985-86: Professor M P D Baker-Smith, professor of English, University of Amsterdam, Dr M L Klein, senior research officer, chemistry division, National Research Council of Canada, Mr S Payne, archaeologist and Dr Z Rau, faculty of law and administration, University of Lodz.

**Sussex**
Grants
Science and Engineering Research Council: £647,767 (SERC, Rolls-Royce and GEC Ruston Gas Turbines) to Professor F J Bayley and Dr J M Owen for work on the heat transfer and fluid dynamics of gas turbines, especially rotating systems; £194,887 to Professor C J Darwin and Dr Scott for research on the development and application of algorithms for the acoustic analysis of speech; £186,860 to Dr C S Mellish for research on condenser/collator for road traffic information; £83,226 to Dr P J Gawthrop for research on integrated design and implementation of robust multi loop self-tuning controllers; £63,176 to Dr S W Draper for an advanced fellowship; £58,285 to Dr R C Bray for EXAFS studies of the structures and mechanisms of three action of molybdenum centres; £54,240 to Professor F McCapra for work on energy transfer phenomena in bioluminescence.
BP Venture Research: £220,334 to Dr T D Clark for an experimental and theoretical investigation of macroscopic quantum circuits.

## Science report

# Protein clue to arthritis and cancers

**By Pearce Wright**
**Science Editor**

A discovery with important medical implications for illnesses including arthritis, skin disorders and some cancers is described in this week's issue of *Nature*. The research concerns the causes of the breakdown of the connective tissue of the body.

The advance has come with the isolation of a human gene which under normal circumstances protects connective tissues, such as tendons, cartilage and bone, that connect organs.

A collaborative investigation by Dr John Reynolds and Gillian Murphy of the Strangeways Research Laboratory at Cambridge, and a team working with Dr Tim Harris of Celltech, the biotechnology research company, began by studying a protein molecule known as Timp (tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinases).

The Timp molecule occurs in all body fluids and tissues, and its role appears to be to stop the activity of enzymes. But firm evidence showing that specific diseases are linked to a failure of the body to make Timp molecules has not been systematically tested. The reason is the difficulty of obtaining adequate purified amounts of the substance for testing.

Yet there is general acceptance that during normal growth the controlled activity of the enzymes that break down connective tissue is an essential part of the constant tissue regeneration and disposal throughout the body, especially during wound healing.

Uncontrolled activity may lead to the destruction in particular of collagen, which is under normal circumstances the main insoluble in connective tissue. It is the material that yields gelatin and glue on prolonged heating with water.

Breakdown of collagen is a key irreversible step associated with conditions such as arthritis. The presence of Timp acts as a "fail safe" mechanism, stopping the necessary processes of removing discarded material from carrying on to destroy healthy tissue.

Employing the method of genetic manipulation developed by the Strangeways and Celltech scientists, large amounts of Timp can be made by inserting the newly-isolated gene into bacterial and animal cells. Those cells then produce Timp among the other products they synthesize naturally. To obtain large amounts, cultures of cells are grown in fermentation tanks and the broth purified in an extraction process to provide the protein.

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## Luncheons

**Butchers' Company**
The Master of the Butchers' Company, Mr David L. Franks, presided at a court luncheon held at Butchers' Hall yesterday. The toast to the guests was proposed by Mr John W. Brewster and the reply was given by Mr Peter M. Colebrook, President of the Royal Smithfield Club.

**Primrose League**
Lord Murton of Lindisfarne presided at the annual luncheon for members of the Churchill Chapters of the Primrose League at the Dorchester hotel yesterday. The principal guest and speaker was Mr Cranley Onslow, MP. Among the guests were Lord Mowbray and Stourton, Lady Murton of Lindisfarne, Lady June Onslow, Mr W. L. Grant, chairman, finance committee, Mr Evelyn King and Mrs King, chairman, Ladies Churchill Chapter Committee.

## Dinners

**Royal Yachting Association**
The King of Norway, President of Honour of the International Yacht Racing Union, King Constantine of the Hellenes, vice-president of honour, and the Crown Prince of Norway were present at a dinner given by the Royal Yachting Association at the Royal Thames Yacht Club yesterday for delegates at the union's meetings. The other guests included Dr Beppe Croce, President of the IYRU, Sir Michael Laing, president of the association, and Mr Michael Evans, chairman.

**Strafford Club**
The Strafford Club met for dinner last night at Trinity College, Cambridge, to celebrate the seventieth birthday, on November 3, of Major-General Viscount Monckton of Brenchley. The president, Lord William Taylour, was in the chair.

**Royal Warrant Holders Association**
The annual dinner of the Royal Warrant Holders Association was held at Grosvenor House last night. Baroness Trumpington and the Earl of Airlie were among the speakers. Comte Alain de Vogue, president of the association, was in the chair.

**Biological Council**
Professor A.P.M. Lockwood, Chairman of the Biological Council presided at its fortieth anniversary dinner at the Athenaeum Club last night. Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, and Sir Andrew Huxley, OM, President of the Royal Society, were the guests of honour. Professor Merton Sandler, Secretary of the Biological Council, also spoke.

**Society of County Secretaries**
The Society of County Secretaries entertained Sir Thomas Skyrme, at their annual dinner held at the Law Society's Hall on Wednesday. Mr Peter Floyd, County Solicitor of Oxfordshire County Council, and chairman of the society, presided. Among the other guests were:
Sir David Hancock, Sir Brian Cubbon, Sir Michael Quinlan, Sir Peter Lazarus, Sir Ashley Ponsonby, Mr J L Bowron, Mr J R Lovill, Mr D Fisher and Mr A Gronow.

**Fellowship of Engineering**
The Fellowship of Engineering held a dinner last night at Apothecaries Hall to welcome new fellows. Viscount Caldecote presided and Professor F. W. Crawford also spoke.

**HM Customs and Excise**
Sir Angus Fraser, Chairman of the Board of HM Customs and Excise, was host at the higher management dinner held at the Connaught Rooms yesterday. The principal guest was Lord Keith of Kinkel who proposed the toast to the department. Mr R. E. Grimstead also spoke. The other guests included Sir Peter Middleton, Sir Lawrence Airey, Sir Robin Ibbs, Sir Gordon Downey, the Rev Alan Gibson and Mr Gordon Manzie.

**King's College London**
Professor Anthony Mellows presided at a dinner held at King's College London yesterday for overseas students of the faculty of laws. The principal guests were the High Commissioner for Cyprus and Mrs Panayides and the Ambassador of Cyprus to Unesco and Mrs Leventis.

**Newcastle upon Tyne Polytechnic**
The Chancellor of Newcastle upon Tyne Polytechnic, Lord Glenamara, CH, and Lady Glenamara, were present at a dining-in of Honorary Fellows of Newcastle Polytechnic held at the Mansion House last night. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Newcastle upon Tyne, Councillor and Mrs R. Burgess, with the Chairman of Newcastle Polytechnic, Mr Derek Webster, welcomed Professor Barden (Director of Newcastle Polytechnic), Sir Horace and Lady Heyman, Sir Michael Straker, Mr and Mrs R. Bickerstaffe, Councillor J. Beecham, Mr S. Bell, MP, Miss D. Blenkinsop, Mr P. Carr, Mr C. J. Davies, Mr K. Douglas, Mr J. Hall, Dr E. P. Hart, Mr C. Herzberg, Dr C. Lipman, Mr J. Logan, Dr R. Long, Mr J. Mills, Councillor A. Moore, Mr B. O'Reilly, Mr G. Stanton, Councillor N. Stockdale and Mrs S. Webster.

**Association of Cricket Umpires**
The Annual Dinner of the Association of Cricket Umpires was held on Saturday at the Blunsdon House Hotel, Swindon, Wiltshire. The principal guest was the president of the Marylebone Cricket Club, Mr J. G. W. Davies, OBE, and other guests included:
Mr P Lush, Air Commodore J Hardstaff, Mr M K Read and Mr D P Ellis.

**British Scrap Federation**
The British Scrap Federation held its annual dinner at the Hilton hotel yesterday evening when the principal guests were Mr Hal Miller, MP, and Lord Trevethin and Oaksey. Mr Robert Cooper, president of the federation, was in the chair.

## Birthdays today

The Marquess of Abergavenny, 71; Professor Christiaan Barnard, 63; Mr Jimmy Batten, 30; Air Marshal Sir Norman Coslett, 76; Mr Alain Delon, 50; Mr Frederick Gore, 72; Mr D. A. Head, 60; Sir William Kininmonth, 81; Mr Justice Leggatt, 55; Sir Richard Luyt, 70; Professor Robert McWhirter, 81; Mr R. B. Marriott, 74; Sir James Redmond, 67; Mr Tamas Vasary, 52; Sir Alexander Waddell, 72; Mr Fulke Walwyn, 75.

## Bristol Grammar School

The Board of Governors of Bristol Grammar School announce the appointment of Mr Charles Martin as headmaster to succeed Mr Roy Avery on his retirement in July, 1986. Mr Martin is at present Headmaster of King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Boys, Birmingham.

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# OBITUARY

## ANITA LESLIE

### Popular biographer

Anita Leslie, the writer, who died at Oranmore Castle, Co Galway, on November 5, aged 72, represented all that was most captivating and individual about the Anglo-Irish aristocracy.

The only daughter of Sir Shane Leslie, she was related to the Churchill family and her many books included best-selling biographies of Winston Churchill's mother, Jennie, and of her cousin, Randolph Churchill.

An *Irish Times* reviewer caught the atmosphere of her life well in writing, ". . . if Somerville and Ross, J. P. Donleavy and Caroline Blackwood all sat down together to write the Great Irish Novel, they might evoke something like the world of Anita Leslie."

Her childhood was spent at her ancestral home, Castle Leslie, at Glaslough, Co Monaghan, and she was educated by 14 governesses and seven schools.

A brief career on the stage, as a "Cochran Young Lady", was succeeded by an even briefer one training horses, an abiding love of her life: she was later Joint Master of the Galway Blazers.

Her wartime service was spent first with the MTC in South Africa and Egypt, and then as Editor of a forces newspaper in the Middle East where (in between cajoling non-English-speaking compositors and hectic chases from Turkey to the Euphrates) she met her future husband, the submarine commander and later lone round-the-world sailor, Bill King.

Determined to see active service, in 1944 she took the only step possible for this and volunteered for the French army as an ambulance-driver. For her bravery in the advance on Germany she was twice awarded the Croix de Guerre.

Anita Leslie always wrote from the inside, both as a member of the vanishing aristocratic world she so affectionately chronicled, and as a deeply intuitive judge of character. Many of her books were about members of her own family: apart from *Jennie* and *Cousin Randolph*, she wrote *The Fabulous Leonard Jerome*, *Cousin Clare* (a biography of Clare Sheridan), and *Mr Frewen of England*.

Among her best known books were *Edwardians in Love*, a brilliant portrait of the Prince of Wales's set, the official biography of Francis Chichester, and two fascinating autobiographies, *The Guilt and the Gingerbread* and *A Story Half Told*.

All her books were characteristic of her generous spirit: anecdotal, shrewd, funny, and so full of life that they were sometimes – in manuscript at least – somewhat disorganised. She described how, after a day spent hunting, she would "hanker for that silent corner in my turret where I left all those papers weighted with stones, and crave to get back to that carefully documented chaos which I alone understand and which everyone is begged not to touch."

Anita Leslie had a rare gift for friendship, and those lucky enough to share it would be bombarded with superb letters, sometimes three in the same post, full of stories, asides and exclamation marks, and written at all angles on the paper in spidery long-hand.

She was extraordinarily sympathetic to, and always fascinated by, generations younger than her own, and she took great delight in her family and grandchildren.

## MR W. J. LAWRENCE

Mr W. J. C. Lawrence, OBE, VMH, noted for his distinguished contributions to scientific horticulture and inventor of the John Innes Composts died on October 25, aged 86.

He joined the garden staff of the John Innes Institute (then called the John Innes Horticultural Institution) at Merton in 1913. After War Service and a spell at Kew Gardens, he was appointed to the scientific staff of the John Innes where he remained until his retirement in 1963.

He carried out research on the inheritance of flower colour in *Dahlia* and later in *Streptocarpus*. In 1932 he was made Curator of the Institute and concentrated on improving the growth of experimental plants.

The formulation (with J. Newell) of the John Innes Composts, later published as a war contribution, and his investigations into glasshouse design, had a profound effect on the glasshouse industry.

His classic book *Science and the Glasshouse* became a standard text. In 1954 he became Head of the Department of Physiology and Plant Culture.

At a time when horticulture was still largely based on tradition, Lawrence was uniquely qualified to recognize and solve basic problems concerning soil sterilisation and the importance of light in attaining reproducible and consistent growth under uniform conditions.

He was a man of great drive and energy and his lack of formal academic qualifications did not prevent his combining practical experience with real scientific knowhow and establishing himself as a major figure in the development of scientific horticulture.

Colleagues remember his zest for work, a wide range of scientific and cultural interests and an ebullient sense of humour.

He published some 50 scientific papers and his other books included: *The Genetics of Garden Plants* (with M. B. Crane), *Practical Plant Breeding*, *Soil Sterilisation* and a racy autobiography: *Catch the Tide*.

He was awarded the Victoria Medal of Honour of the Royal Horticultural Society in 1950 and made OBE in 1955.

He was married with three sons and a daughter.

## LORD LLOYD

Lord Lloyd, MBE, DL, second Baron, who died on November 5 at the age of 73, held office as a junior Minister in the post war Churchil and Eden governments, and thereafter had a career in commerce and banking.

Born on September 30, 1912, the son of the first Baron, who had been a distinguished colonial administrator and Colonial Secretary, Alexander David Frederick Lloyd was educated at Eton and Cambridge and then served with the British Council until the outbreak of the Second World War.

He served with the Warwick Yeomanry until 1941 when he transferred to the Welsh Guards, taking part with them in operations in Palestine, Syria and, after D-Day, in North-west Europe. He was appointed MBE in 1945.

He had succeeded his father in 1941 and after the war played an active part in the House of Lords. He was President of the Navy League from 1948-51 and became a councillor on the LCC in 1949.

When the Conservatives returned to power in 1951 he was made a Lord-in-Waiting to the Royal Household and in the following year was made Joint Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office with responsibility for Welsh Affairs.

From 1954 to 1957 he was Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies but was not offered further office when Mr Harold Macmillan became Prime Minister and retired from active politics.

Thereafter he was active in banking and was chairman of Grindlays Bank (Uganda) 1969-74; of Grindlays International Bank (Zaire) 1970-74; and of Grindlays International Finance (Kenya) 1970-74.

He was also a former director of Lloyds Bank Ltd, and of Lloyds Bank International, as well as of many other companies, and was chairman of the National Bank of New Zealand from 1970 to 1977.

## MR ELLIS ASHTON

Mr Ellis Ashton, MBE, who died on October 31 at the age of 65, had been a variety artiste in the 1940s and 1950s and was also a writer and broadcaster on the theatre.

Though his introduction to the theatre came before the war it was after he was captured by the Germans while serving with the Scots Guards that his stage experience really began, with his organizing PoW shows.

After the war he played many of Britain's leading variety halls as well as managing and stage directing, until 1958, when he joined Associated Rediffusion TV as a scene shifter. Ten years later he became a stage hand with London Weekend Television.

He was, too, busy in many branches of activity associated with the theatre. He had two periods as President of the National Association of Theatrical, Television and Kine Employees (NATTKE) separated by twenty years, and as a committed trades unionist he was a long-serving Governor of Ruskin College, Oxford.

In 1936 he was one of the founder members of the British Music Hall Society and was its chairman from 1968 to 1984. He was also a founder and executive member of the British Theatre Institute and was active in several other bodies and committees connected with theatre and cinema.

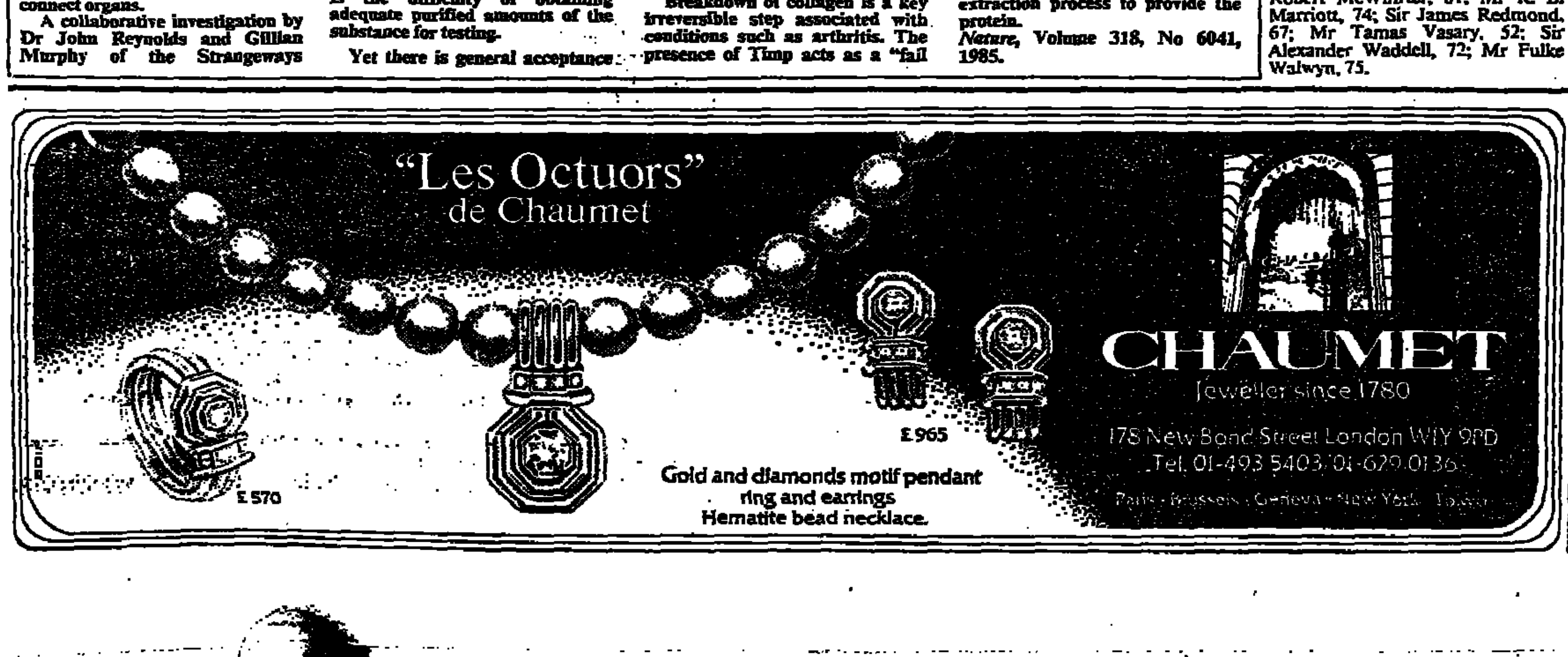
For several years he contributed a regular column "Music Miscellany" to *The Stage* and had written numerous articles for books on theatre history.

He was a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, of the Royal Society of Arts, of the Zoological Society and of the Linnean Society, and was appointed MBE for his services to the arts in 1975.

**Baroness Monkswell**, widow of the third Baron Monkswell, died on October 27. She was Katharine Edith, daughter of W. S. H. Gastrell, and she married Lord Monkswell as his second wife in 1925. He died in 1964.

**Mr Thomas Coughtrie, CBE**, who died on October 29 at the age of 90, was chairman of Bruce Peebles Industries Ltd and Bruce Peebles Ltd, Edinburgh. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace for Lanark in 1959.

**Air Vice-Marshal Douglas Fitzclarence St George, CB, CBE, DFC, AFC**, Chief of Air Staff, Royal New Zealand Air Force, 1971-74, died on October 25 at the age of 66.



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# Ready for the revolution

The City – a world centre of commerce and finance – is preparing for its rules and conventions to be turned upside down. Business Editor **Graham Searjeant** explains

The success of the City of London as a commercial and financial centre has always lain in leading and adapting to change: servicing trade, then industry, the great spread of wealth and savings that followed in their wake and the much increased size of government that they spawned.

Many of the most sudden changes have been brought by government policy or war. The smooth way stockbrokers and merchant banks moved from raising huge state loans to selling state businesses has been little remarked. But the City as a whole has probably never faced such a concentrated period of such-all embracing internal change as it will in the next five years.

Revolution, for once, is not too strong a word – even though it is a revolution set off by market forces. The revolution will bring an invigorating expansion of business which contributes or orchestrates the bulk of the nation's £9 billion private moveable trade surplus. Revolution will also spill some financial blood.

The symbolic centre of that change – equivalent to the storming of the Bastille – is the so-called Big Bang on the Stock Exchange in a year's time, when a fundamental package of rules and conventions will be switched simultaneously.

The Stock Exchange moves, however, are only one response to at least three different currents that have come together. Between them, directly or indirectly, they will affect structures, working methods and responsibilities in most of the trades, professions and institutions that make up what is loosely called The City.

1 – The rapid advance of electronic communication, demanded in different forms by banks and building societies investment advisers and institutions, stockbrokers, money, foreign exchange dealers and commodity dealers as a tool to save costs and make them more efficient, has itself transformed the way businesses and markets operate in ways that even now have not been fully explored or understood.

The most discussed change has been the effect of satellite-based electronic business information and trading facilities – for instance through the Reuters Monitor system – in linking financial centres around the world in one continuous, instant 24-hour global market.

It means that principals can choose to deal in London or Chicago, Hong Kong or Singapore, forcing whole financial centres to compete with each other in price as well as service.

Foreign exchange dealers have pioneered this new lifestyle. It has brought with it a startling shortening of time horizons. As it has spread, so exclusive or inside information – for so many years the lifeblood of so many successful City firms – has to some extent given way to speed of response under pressure.

The need for judgment remains, but there is a danger that technology can take over, substituting homogenous packages of tradeable securities for the careful evaluation of individual clients, their potential and risk, that forms a common strand between bankers, insurance underwriters and professional investors.

In a subtler way, electronic systems are also changing the relationships between financial institutions and the public. The ability of building societies, for instance, to heighten their competition with banks and challenge for a full place in the City owes something to electronic techniques of business and something to money markets, where societies are raising large sums of money.

## It needs cool heads to stop global markets taking over

2 – The Financial Services Bill, featured in the Queen's Speech, and the new Banking Bill to follow, both stem from inquiries into City scandals: the failure of unregulated commodity firms dealing with the public and the collapse of Johnson Matthey Bankers, supposedly regulated and ultimately rescued by the Bank of England.

Both will change the way people do business and the responsibilities they must bear. Though much of the City will still enjoy self-regulation, it will soon carry more awesome statutory backing and duties.

The Bank of England itself is adapting as much as any City institution to meet the challenge. George Blunden has been brought back as deputy-governor to put new emphasis on supervision not merely of banks but of the new markets and financial structures.

Life assurance companies are having to adapt to new legislation in quite different ways. The abolition of life assurance premium relief in the 1984 Finance Act removed the easiest marketing tool in the salesman's armoury.

And as their business becomes more sophisticated, so insurance selling will become more regulated, with salesmen likely to be licensed.

3 – It was the pressure from life assurance, pension funds and other institutions to break down the excessive commission charges on large deals that led to the Restrictive Practices court action against the Stock Exchange. When that was settled out of court with an agreement to abandon fixed commissions, few guessed how far the ramifications would run.

If the brokers were to lose their fat they needed other sources of income. That will lead next year to the breaking of the distinction between stockjobber principals and stockbroker agents (the opposite of the new rule at Lloyd's). That meant more firms would need more capital to cope with the expected big rise in turnover.

So outsiders with limited liability are being allowed in. So are foreign firms, now more than ever direct competitors.

The many partnerships, with clearing banks, merchant banks, insurance companies, foreign banks, insurance companies, discount houses and money dealers, are leading to cross-fertilisation of ideas, styles and skills.

The varying degree of combinations of financial supermarket thus formed in embryo promise a wave of energy and innovation but also dangers of over trading and conflict of interest.

All this is necessary if the City is to retain and enhance its role in the world and act as a centre of expansion, innovation and job-creation. It is inevitable that the City has been and will continue to be preoccupied with its own affairs during this frenzied period of change. The danger in that has been emphasized by the recent thought-provoking speech by David Walker, a director of the Bank of England, which linked the shortening time horizons of competitive investing institutions with lack of long-term thinking in industry.

Amid the gunfire of revolution the City of London will need some cool heads at the top of leading firms to ensure that technology and instant global markets do not take over and that finance develops its services to industry and ordinary members of the public, who are still the ultimate clients.

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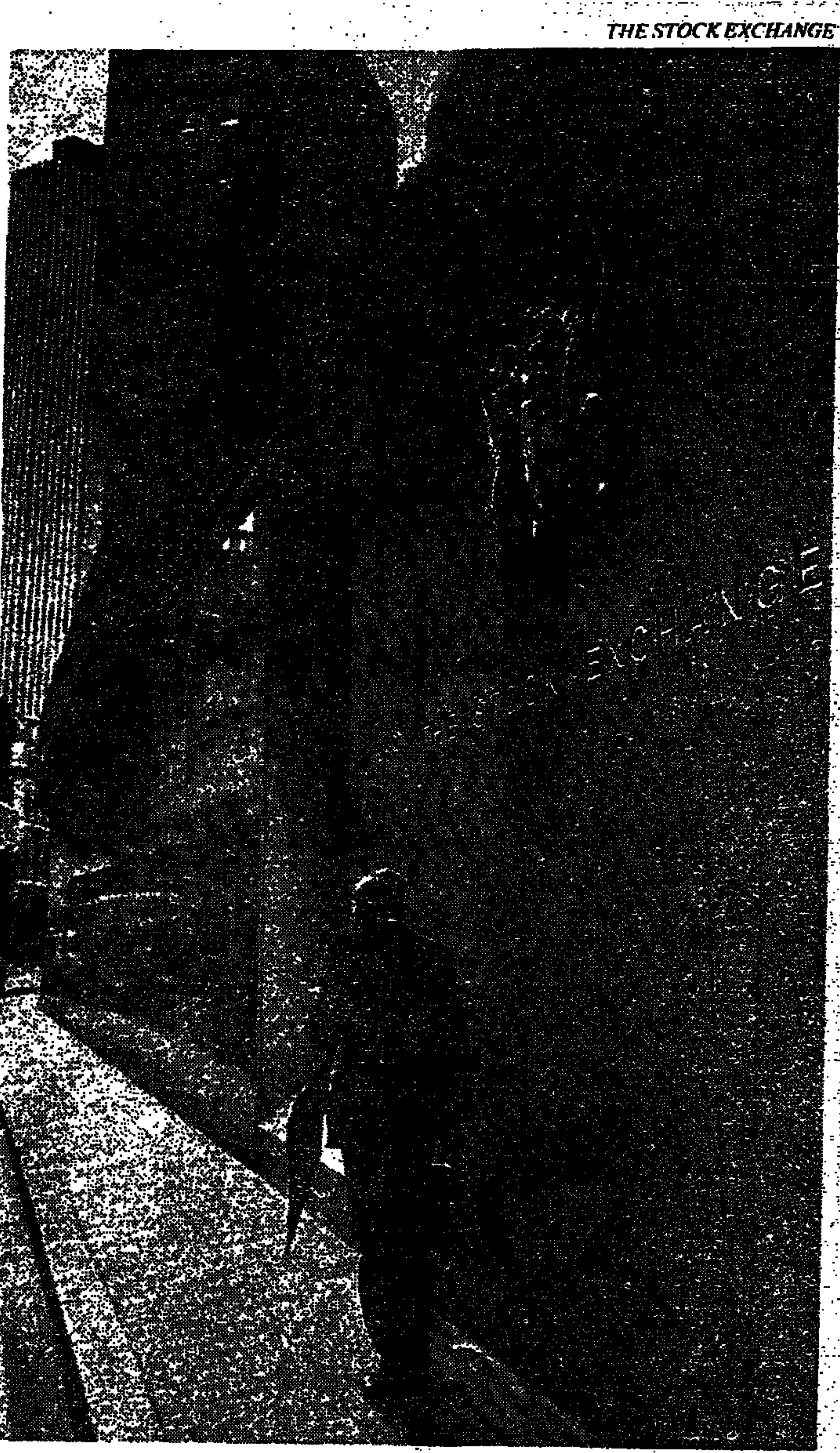
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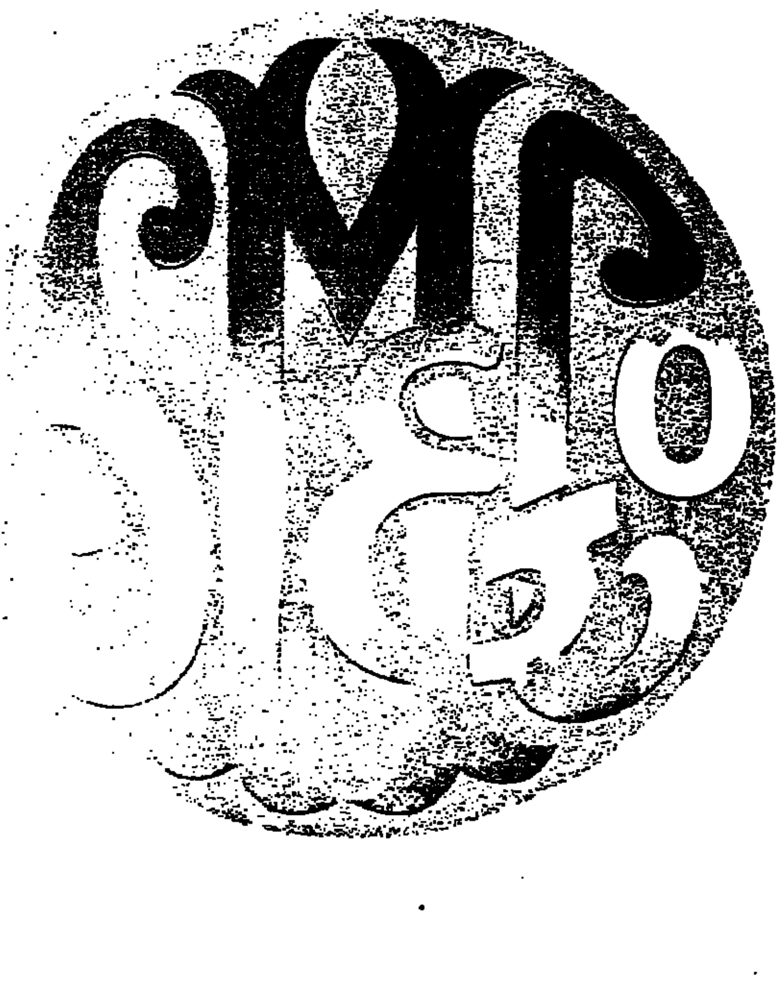

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# The Old Lady's still in charge

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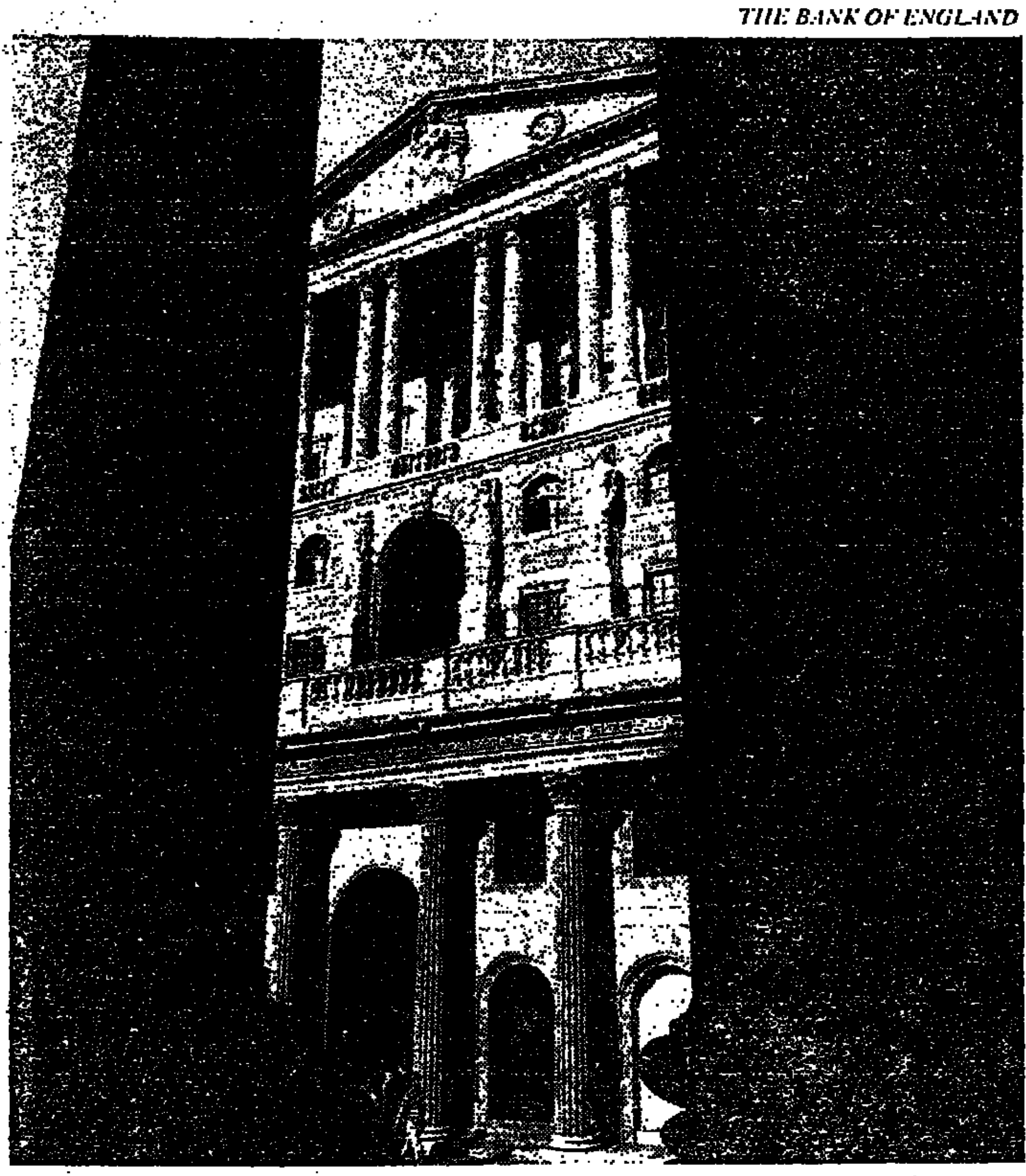


The central relationship in the City, built on years of trust and quiet authority, is that between the Bank of England and the commercial banks.

The Old Lady of Threadneedle Street has kept her expanding family in line, with only an occasional resort to the raised voice, or more usually, the raised eyebrow.

It is a relationship which has, however, come under strain over the past year, largely as a result of the difficulties created by the black sheep of the family, Johnson Matthey Bankers.

The Bank of England, pulling the commercial banks along with it, rescued JMB on October 1, 1984. Thirteen months later, after a major shake-up among the Bank's senior personnel, and proposals to sharpen the supervisory framework, the JMB affair refuses to lie down.

The Bank has come under criticism for allowing JMB to slip through the supervisory net – at the time of the rescue it owed £248 million. It has additionally been attacked for failing to come clean, either with the banks involved in the rescue or with the Treasury, on what exactly was happening at each stage of the rescue.

A third strand of criticism is that the Bank, in attempting to lock the stable door firmly after the JMB horse had bolted, is attempting to impose an unacceptable supervisory system on the banks.

The fact that some of this criticism has come directly from the Chancellor of the Exchequer has not helped.

Now, the Bank is endeavouring to put the worst of the JMB affair behind it and re-establish its authority and reputation. The most damaging aspect of the affair, undoubtedly, has been calling to question of the Bank's competence.

Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor, having resisted some gentle pressure on his own position, has shaken up his team. Christopher "Kit" McMahon, the current deputy governor, will leave early next year to take up the chairmanship of Midland Bank.

George Blunden, a non-executive director of the Bank and a recognized expert on banking supervision, will take his place. At director level, Peter Cooke, who was responsible for supervision when the JMB's problems went unnoticed, has been moved aside to the job of co-ordinating supervision internationally. Rodney Galpin, who spent a year as chairman of JMB when it was taken over by the Bank, takes responsibility for domestic banking supervision.

The Bank's reshuffle, and its proposed supervisory changes, put the emphasis on the Bank's role as policeman. It is a role that, in the rapidly changing City, is crucial.

The Bank has responsibility for around 293 banks and 308 licensed deposit takers. It has, in addition, varying degrees of supervisory responsibility for markets in the City, including the Lloyd's insurance market, the commodity markets and the Stock Exchange.

In the City's new era, the Bank will be most directly concerned in the gilt-edged market. The Bank, through the director responsible for the gilt-edged market, Eddie George, has won the approval of the City for the way it is handling the transition from the old-style gilt market, with a single government broker, to the new style market, based on the model of the US bond market.

The Bank's approach on this, as in other areas of the City revolution, has not been to attempt to pick winners or, for that matter, likely casualties. Rather, it has, subject to capital and other requirements, permitted a large number of entrants to the new market, freely admitting that there are likely to be drop-outs once the new system gets going.

In a market that most experts say will bear no more than 10 or 15 primary dealers, the Bank has allowed 29 to go forward and set up in business in time for the switch next year to the new gilt market.

The Bank's approach to the new era in the City was summarised by the Governor in his speech to City bankers at the Mansion House last month.

"We need to keep very clearly in mind that the more entrepreneurial environment in the City brings greater risk of loss as well as greater prospect of gain," he said. "When the gains come they will be generally welcome; but when the losses come, and they will, they should be construed not as a failure of the new City but rather as evidence of market forces at work in a new competitive environment."

The important difference is that, whereas in the past, losses and failures were generally borne by broking firms of just a few partners, in future the major clearing and merchant banks will be bearing the risks, as well as claiming the rewards.

It is often said that there is now no longer such a thing as a bank in the traditional sense. In the switch to US-style investment banking, this statement is becoming truer.

For the Bank of England, saddled with the task of supervising in a rapidly changing environment, the art will be to steer a line between providing the City with the freedom to compete in a tough international arena, and providing safeguards against irresponsibility and misconduct.

Bankers see a contradiction between the Bank of England's laissez-faire attitude to the City's markets and what they regard as an attempt to push through an unacceptable tightening-up of "pure" banking supervision.

The Bank's proposed changes to the 1979 Banking Act, arrived at in the wake of the JMB affair, fall into categories. The first is that the distinction between recognised banks and licensed deposit takers up to the standards required of banks and, in the process, bringing the number of recognised banks up to slightly more than 600.

Another proposal would require the banks to operate under strict limits regarding loan exposure to single borrowers. If the proposals go through, banks would be required to notify all loans to single borrowers which exceed 10 per cent of authorised capital and loans above 25 per cent of capital would be prohibited.

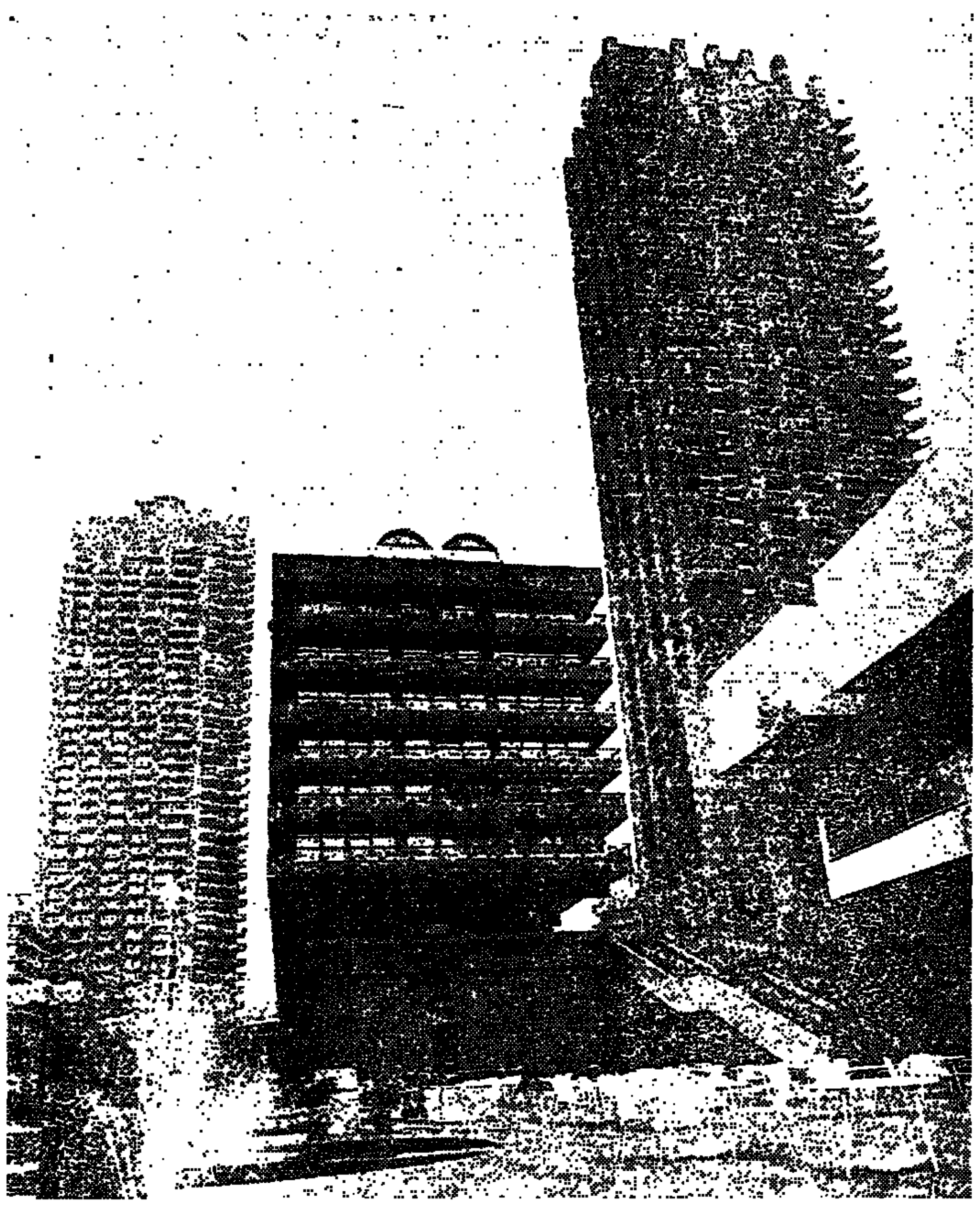
This has drawn out some protests from the banks, but the greatest ire is reserved for the Bank of England's call for greater powers to get information on what banks are up to. The revolutionary proposal that auditors should help the Bank out with its supervisory tasks by bringing to its attention any suspicious discoveries has met with a frosty response from both the banks and the accountancy firms.

The Bank of England, as it usually manages to do, will steer a course which carries rather than drags the banks along with it. Above all, perhaps, the Bank will be praying that there are no more JMBs waiting to spring out and upset things.

**David Smith**

# Living the quiet life at the Barbican

*THE BARBICAN*



I like living in the City. I would not have stayed in Barbican for nine years if I had not been happy there. On the face of it the Barbican is a bleak and unfriendly place. If you want to be quiet and left to your own devices it is fine, but for anyone hoping for a congenial atmosphere it is certainly not.

On a typical Sunday morning, there is hardly a sign of life until about 10 am when a few people emerge from their concrete homes, newspaper or church bound, studiously avoiding looking at one another in case they should be expected to say "good morning". Many of the residents go away on a Friday night to return on the Monday, and, as some flats belong to companies and are rarely occupied, people are pretty thin on the ground at the weekend.

During the week there is a general exodus of workers between eight and nine o'clock and children make their red-blazered way to school across the high walk. Then the coast is clear for mothers and children and old ladies to trail off to Safeways. By lunchtime visitors have found the Barbican Centre. This is no mean feat as the walkways are inadequately signposted. Some people have wandered around for hours trying to find their port of call.

There are picture galleries, the conservatory (when it is open) and the restaurants to visit and it is pleasant just to sit on the terrace by the fountains.

Early evening sees the return of the workers to shut themselves in their flats until reveille. The school children have gone back to their suburban homes and the evening visitors start to appear.

When I first came to live in the City I joined my ward club and later, when I became a freeman, I would have joined the freeman's guild but I found it too expensive. I enjoyed some of the functions arranged by the ward club – a visit to the Old Bailey and the ceremony of the keys at the Tower of London – but their luncheons and dinners I found too cliquey. Because of my work I had the opportunity of visiting Guildhall, the Mansion House, livery company halls and many other historic places.

But how many other dwellers in the Square Mile, except for those with business or corporation connections, ever get the chance to do so? There are those of us, of course, who have never even bothered to visit St Paul's or watch the Lord Mayor's show which is, literally, just around the corner.

When I tell people where I live their first reaction is usually "Do you go to many concerts?" The answer is "No". The price of tickets is high and except for those who are avid concert and theatre goers, visits are the usual two or three a year. There are Barbican groups to join such as music, chess and languages - but if one is not an habitual joiner, as I am not, it is difficult to get to know people.

I had my life-style and friends before I came to the City to live. This was just as well as I only know my neighbour and two or three people in the adjacent Golden Lane estate and am on nodding terms with three other people in my block - that is all.

I enjoy shopping in the local market in Whitecross Street, walking there through a well kept little park. The people are friendly and usually somebody passes the time of day making a dreary Saturday morning seem brighter. It is a pleasure, too, to be able to walk to work through Smithfield, Hatton Garden and Leather Lane or, for a change of scenery, Clerkenwell Road, St John Street and Exmouth Market.

Life in the City is what you make it. Most residents live there for convenience and are prepared to pay high rents, rates and service charges for the privilege. The original idea was that Barbican should have the community spirit of a large village, which, as yet it has not.

But I am sure I will look back with some nostalgia when I retire to the country next month.

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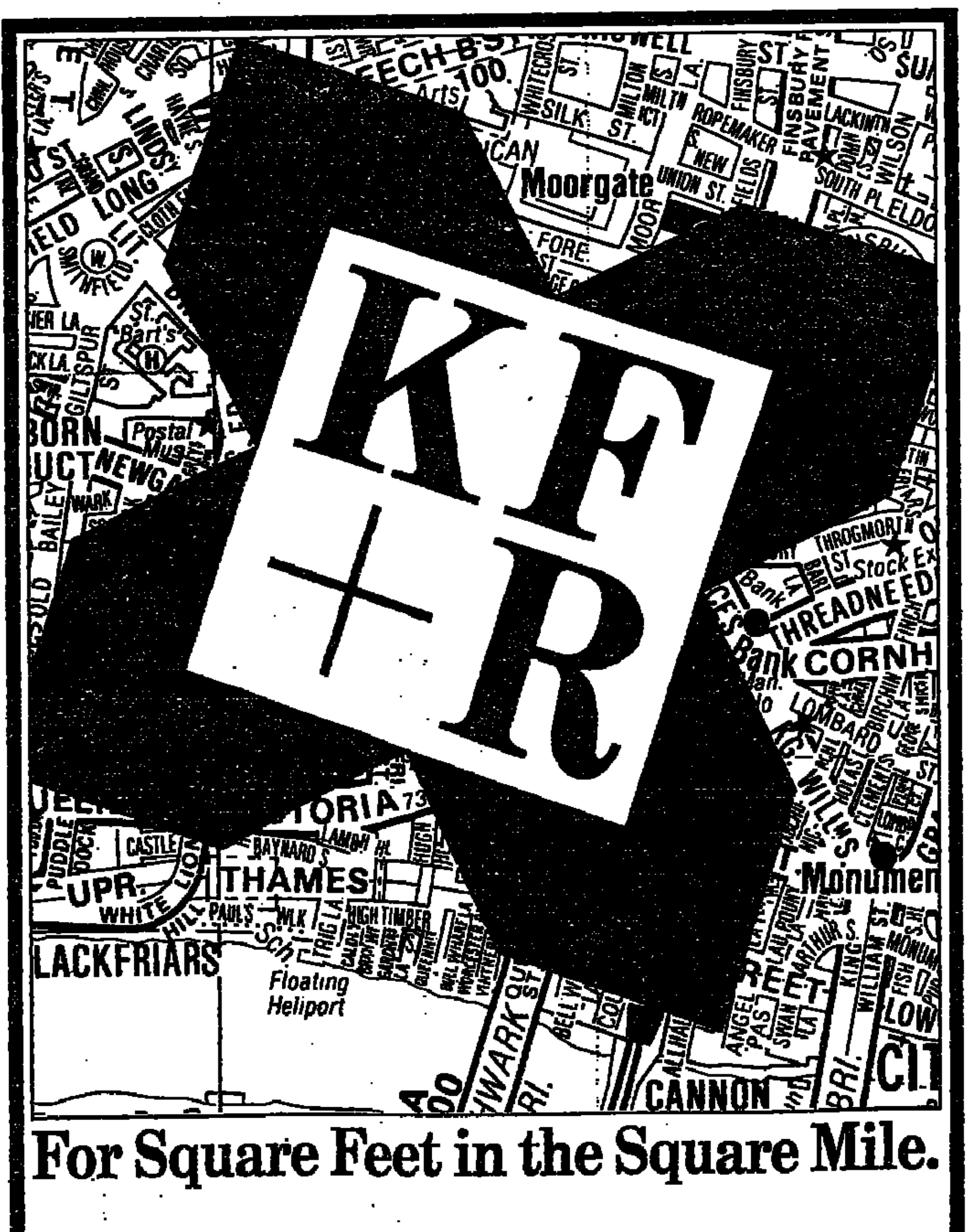

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# Vital role of the IT factor

Ever since deals were first struck, the trader with the latest information has had the best of it. From the days of reading newpapers in coffee houses, or using pigeon post to learn the outcome of a distant battle, the City has thrived on information and the City has been among the first to use new technology.

Britain's first telephone exchange was opened in Coleman Street, in the heart of the City, in 1879. Stockbrokers were car[illegible]usiasts for viewdata, setting up their own TV-based information system called Topic. Dealing rooms today are a mass of advanced communications and computing.

Without information technology, or IT, the City could not function efficiently. There are too many stocks, too may commodities and currencies, all changing in value too quickly for the unaided human mind to cope.

Yet there is a growing feeling that IT may be turning into a Frankenstein's monster. From being a help to the hard-pressed jobber or broker, IT may be on the point of taking over to such an extent that the City as we know it will virtually disappear.

The rapid growth of electronic financial data systems by such companies as Reuters and Telerate means that more people are tapping in to information which was previously known to a privileged few. Next year the Stock Exchange will launch SEAQ (Stock Exchange Automated Quotations) that will distribute highly detailed information on share prices for display on computer screens. Electronically, it is a small step from displaying this information to acting on it to buy and sell stocks from a computer terminal.

One form of remote dealing is already available over Prestel. For example, CitiService, managed by ICV Information Systems Ltd, not only displays market prices, news and recommendations. Users who are clients of participating brokers can place, buy, and sell orders at any time of day or night. When the market opens the broker does the business in the conventional way – but for how much longer?

The prospect of electronic share dealing is closely tied up with the Big Bang, by which the London Stock Exchange will abolish such established practices as fixed commissions and separate jobbing and broking functions. It will be the glue that sticks all the separate pieces together again – and makes them work.

But not everyone is enthusiastic about the prospect. "We will be moving from a floor market, where we all meet face to face, to a screen market," said Hubert Cove of Scrimgeour Vickers, and a former member of the Stock Exchange Council, when he spoke at a seminar organized earlier this year by Sperry's Information Systems Group. "That produces an enormous danger of fragmentation. Anyone with two screens and a bit of wire can have a stock exchange."

The City can only cope with this, he believes, by using more technology. But he points out that technology means money, and money means risk. He is concerned that so much is being invested in today's systems that few of them will earn an adequate rate of return and benefit the ultimate clients.

There is more to the City than the Stock Exchange. Commodity dealers, insurance companies, banks, building societies and accountants are all part of the heady mix and they have all embraced IT.

Because lost moments can mean lost money, reliability has become an essential part of the technology they use. There is a saying in the telecommunications industry that the City of London is the most demanding market in the world.

Meeting these demands has led to some novel solutions. V Band Ltd, a London company which has sold its dealer board to several banks and brokers, has adopted a system of distributed control, so that if one dealer position fails the rest can keep working. Over a few hours, V Band points out, a complete breakdown could cost as much in lost business as the total price of a dealer board installation.

British Telecom has chosen the City as the first place to offer its new advanced digital communications service, called IDA (integrated digital access). Based on a large System X telephone exchange supplied by Plessey, IDA provides users with a single network that carries speech, data, text, fast facsimile, pictures, graphics, and slow-scan TV.

Eventually IDA will cover the whole country, but British Telecom decided to start in the City because the interest is highest there.

But it is the move from IT systems, which are basically aids, to those which take over the traditional functions of the City that is worrying some people. Mr Cove even talks about using an expert system – a kind of computerized knowledge bank – to allow relatively unskilled people to take over the jobs of scarce and expensive market makers.

Already there is technology available that goes a long way towards automated decision-making. Reuters has introduced a system called Abacus to help foreign exchange dealers assess arbitrage opportunities. A microprocessor is used to scan continuously the spot, forward and deposit rates in 24 currencies, making instant adjustments with each market movement. Dealers are automatically alerted to market opportunities.

Could the spectre that has haunted manufacturing industry for decades, of job de-skilling and structural unemployment, now be facing the City as well? Perhaps it is, but the financial world can no more turn its back on IT than industry can ignore automation. The survivors will be those who realize that while technology can destroy the past, it also creates the future.

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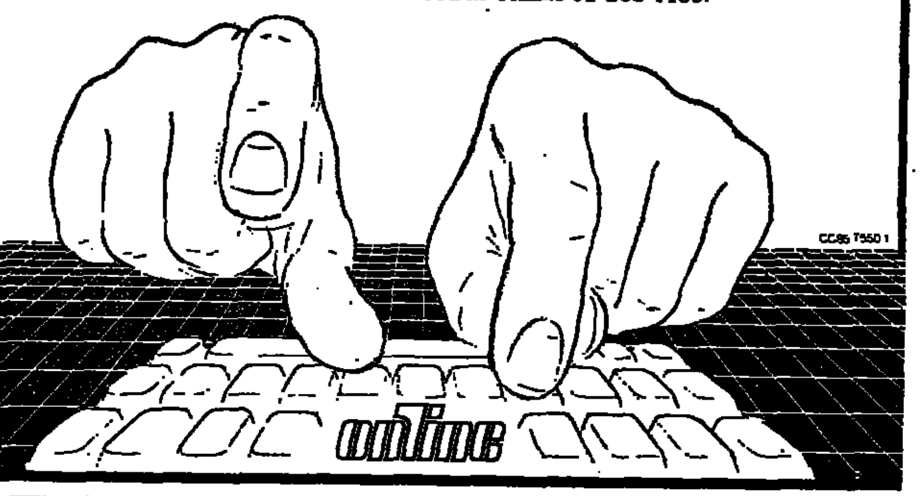

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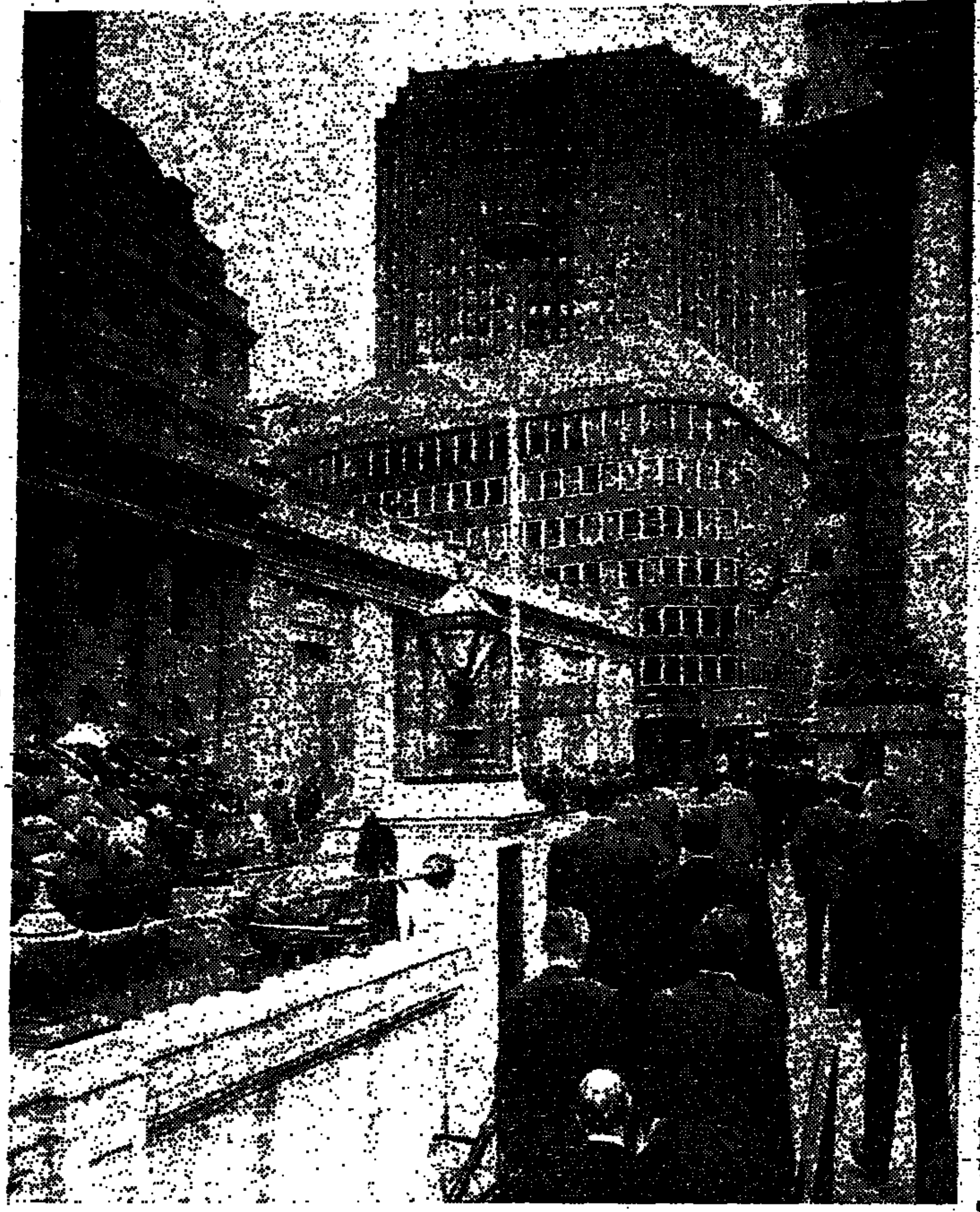

# Fight for survival in heart of market

Peter Walker, the Energy Secretary, frequently tells the story of the little old lady who, after having been taken on a guided tour of the Stock Exchange, turns to her young guide and asks: "Do you mean to tell me that half the people down here are buying shares, half the people are selling shares yet they all believe they are right?"

The tale may be apocryphal but it captures some of the mystique which has enshrouded the stock market for so many years. However, with the Government's commitment to wider share-ownership – helped on its way by the privatization of British Telecom – many more people have a vested interest in the workings of the Stock Exchange.

Ironically that interest has been generated at a time when the exchange is as close to total disarray as such an ancient and venerable City institution can be. It has been under attack in one form or another since 1978 when the then Labour government asked the Office of Fair Trading to investigate its rule book. As a result the OFT decided that the exchange should be referred to the Restrictive Practices Court. The exchange was prepared to fight the case but the need to do so was removed in 1983 when a deal was hatched with Cecil Parkinson, then at the Department of Trade and Industry.

That deal committed the exchange to abolishing fixed commissions by the end of next year and also led to proposals for dramatic changes in its structure and operation. In particular the tradition which divides exchange members between stockbrokers, dealing as agents on behalf of clients, and stockjobbers, who act as wholesalers dealing on their own account, was destined to be broken down altogether and it became clear that dual capacity was to become the order of the day. At the same time it also became essential that the barriers to membership and rules governing ownership of firms should be changed.

The upshot of these deliberations has been almost total chaos. The exchange's ruling

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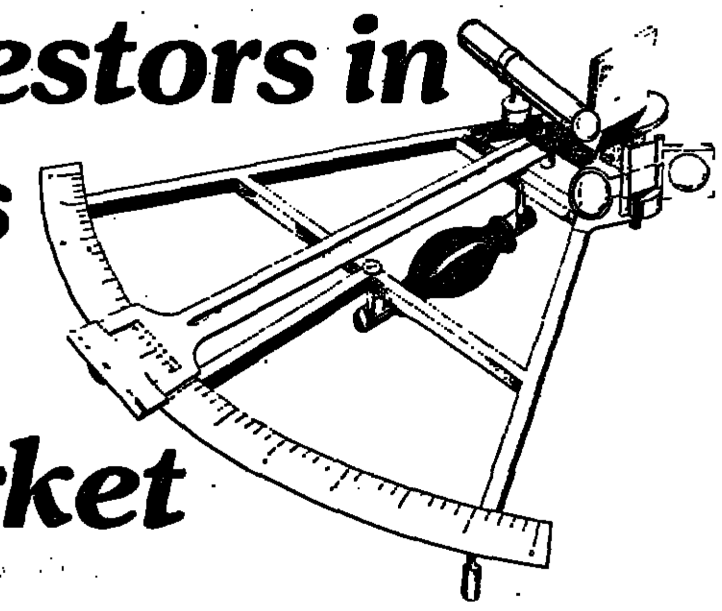

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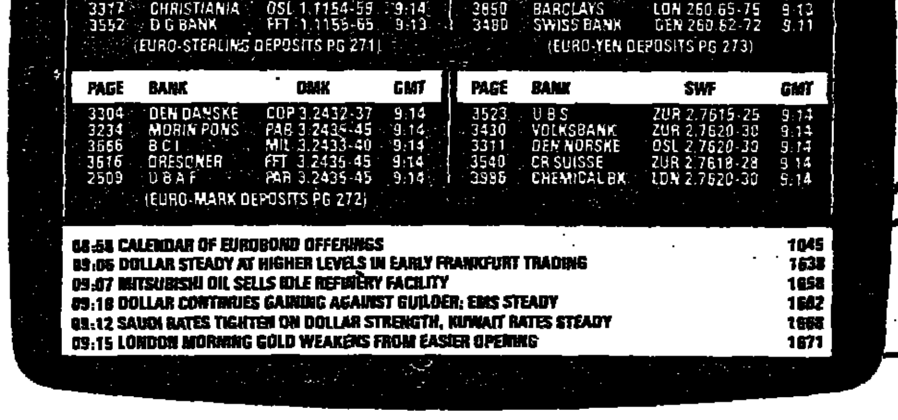
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# A growing interest in the stock market

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body has found itself under continued pressure from the Government, from its members and from those who may or may not want to apply for membership in the wake of implementation of the changes. In addition it has had to cope with a newly-formed self-regulatory monitoring agency, the *Securities and Investments* Board. This is designed to be the main regulatory body of the financial community at large and is charged with investor protection.

While the exchange's appointed leaders have wrestled with the technical and practical problems, the City's financial *institutions* have been busily preparing themselves for the changes. Many of the large stockbroking firms have forged links with banks: conceding their independence but benefiting from the massive capital injection which many believe will be necessary to cope with the new look all-singing-and-dancing exchange. Stockjobbers have also been snapped up to form tripartite broking-jobbing-*banking operations*. The 29.9 per cent maximum stake any outsider, such as a bank, can hold in a member firm will be raised to 100 per cent in March.

As those stakes are lifted it will herald the first rumblings of what has become known euphemistically in the City as Big Bang – which, judging from the total *lack of confidence among* City folk, may be a little bigger than had been anticipated and will create many casualties. The rewards for succeeding in the new market are high and one broker said that there will be no prisoners taken in the forthcoming battle for survival and success.

*The days of conducting* business in a civilised and gentlemanly fashion will disappear as the old boy network gives way to computer networks.

Harry France, senior partner in brokers Buckmaster & Moore, is phlegmatic about the changes. He said: "There is no *point in trying to defend* the Stock Exchange's past. However, we do have to be careful that we create the right structure for the future."

His firm has produced an excellent booklet which asks the simple question: "What IS going on in the City?" Ironically it is a question to which there is no obvious answer. Perhaps a more important question is: "How will the changes affect the *user?*" Again nobody seems to know. The theory is that a liberalised and competitive market offers consumers better choice, service and prices. That theory collapses, however, if the competition created results in a *decline in standards and a lack* of protection for users.

Little wonder then that Sir Nicholas Goodison, the exchange's chairman, is keen to avoid any fragmentation of the market in the wake of Big Bang. He recently announced wide-ranging rule changes designed to encourage financial groups outside the market to become members.

There has already been talk among some *foreign banks and* brokers of setting up a rival market to deal with international securities. Cynics would argue that attempts by Sir Nicholas to woo these outsiders are born out of self interest in order to ensure that lucrative business is not lost. They may have a point but this *ignores* the fundamental concern that a fragmented market would bring a decline in standards.

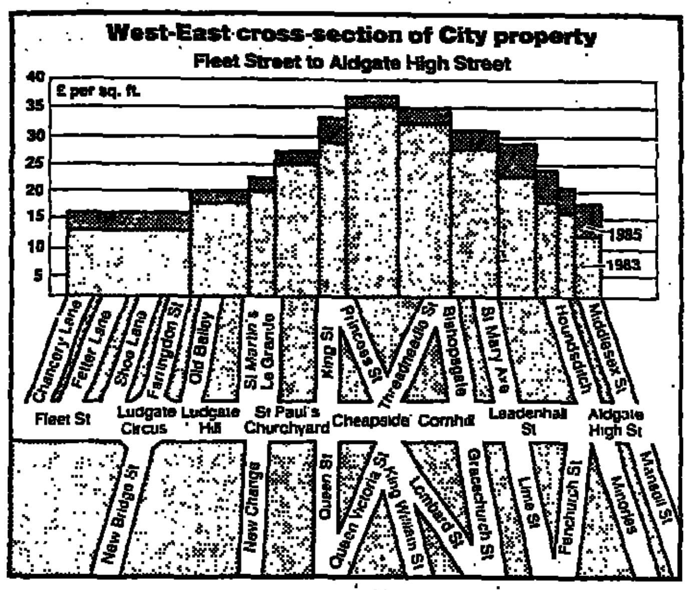
The changes proposed by Sir Nicholas at the end of October were designed to encourage an efficient central market and a sensible regulatory package to provide adequate protection for *investors, maintaining* standards and levying reasonable costs.

These are noble goals to strive for and no-one knows how successful the Stock Exchange will be in achieving them. Failure to do so may well threaten its very existence. But this institution is fighting for its survival and is showing no signs of taking the easy option and simply coping with the Big Bang by putting its fingers in its ears.

**Ian Griffiths**

# The build-up to the Big Bang

THE NATWEST TOWER



The development of post-war *Britain and, particularly* the bomb stricken City of London, made the names and fortunes of some of the country's largest property developers. In a sense a property revolution took place in the optimistic years following the Second World War. High rise, large-scale development was possible. Demand for new *office space, shopping centres* and homes boomed and as materials ceased to be rationed, signs of reconstruction were in evidence all over the City.

Today another revolution is taking place in the City of London property market. This has not been provoked by another war but by the impending *Big Bang about to take place* in the City's financial markets.

The financial conglomerates lining up ahead of deregulation in the City are demanding an entirely different kind of office building to that seen in the *Square Mile previously. Developers* and investors are falling over themselves to provide large, low rise office building with huge dealing floors, the like of which was unknown in the UK, although commonplace in the US.

Plans were afoot to redevelop a large site at Liverpool Street on the eastern edge of the City for some years but none came to fruition until Godrey Bradman's Rosehaugh and Stuart Lipton's Stanhope Securities came together to build 1.25 million sq ft offices there in a £300 million scheme. The first two phases of the development are already let with speculation that another phase has gone before the foundations are even laid. Foreign banking conglomerates are leading the way in taking space in such buildings. Shearson Leham, the merchant banking arm of American Express and Security Pacific are the first two tenants at Broadgate, as the scheme is known.

The British merchant banking *and* broking combine, Samuel Montagu and W Greenwell, is taking the 300,000 sq ft of new space at Billingsgate Market, the glass towers adjoining the former Fish Market which in turn has been bought *by Citibank for £10 million.* Not content with the 100,000 sq ft of space in the old Billingsgate Market, Citibank looks set to break away from the Square Mile and go south of the river to London Bridge. The St Martins Property Corporation, owned by the Kuwait Investment Office, is developing 800,000 sq ft of offices as phase one of its huge development London Bridge City, which will stretch from *London Bridge to Tower* Bridge. Citibank looks set to be its first and largest tenant.

The City's attraction as one of the world's top three international financial centres is reflected in the fact that foreign banks are leading the market in the amount of space taken. A total of 30 per cent of office *space available in the Square* Mile is taken by foreign bankers. Rents are growing rapidly, with a spurt in the last six months. Rents for top quality space in and around Bishopsgate - and, - it is rumoured, at *Broadgate*, are £35 a sq ft with the possibility of reaching £40 a sq ft soon.

This is encouraging news for property developers and investors. City sites are selling fast and at top prices. *But the future* of one of the key sites, at the Mansion House, is still unknown. Peter Palumbo's plans for an office tower designed by Mies van de Rohe set in a new square were rejected by the Secretary of *State* for the Environment. But the way was left clear for a new scheme, the *details of which have yet to be* unveiled.

Future development in the City has yet to be decided. The draft City of London development plan provoked much criticism from those working in the Square Mile for its emphasis on conservation and small business. It was argued that it did not allow for the kind of development now in demand from the financial groupings being forged in the *Square Mile.*

They want to put their staff under one roof and need to have the kind of large open dealing floors necessitated by 24-hour trading.

The City Corporation, while maintaining that good quality buildings should be erected in its domain, is in the process of dramatically altering the nest draft of the plan due for public consultation in the spring of *1986. One area highlighted by* the planners for large-scale redevelopment – up to eight million sq ft – is London Wall.

The tower blocks put up in the late sixties and early seventies, are showing their age. The developers and institutions which own them either want to demolish them and build anew *or they have plans to refurbish* the blocks, bringing them up to today's exacting requirements. Refurbishment is commonplace in the City at the moment, particularly in conservation areas around the Bank of *England, Lombard Street* and Cheapside. New space is being built behind retained facades.

The City's view on conservation could soon be put to the test. The Post Office is selling its site in St Martins le Grand. Competition to buy the Edwardian building is keen, given the bullish state of the City office market. But the unknown factor is whether or not the successful purchaser will be allowed to knock it down.

*Its new neighbour*, British Telecom's City headquarters, was built with regard to the existing building. The planners' view seems to be that there would have to be an exceptionally good new scheme for the *site before they would contemplate* the building's demolition.

Times have changed indeed since the City Corporation embarked on the wholesale reconstruction of its bombed area. The Barbican, a stone's throw from St Martins le Grand, typifies early post-war thinking. It was a brave venture on the corporation's part to provide housing in the heart of the City. The original intent was to allow those working in the *Square Mile* to live there, too. But now the Barbican is largely occupied by companies and certainly not by the average City office worker.

The City housing market is not booming in the same was as the office market, where new records for sales and lettings seem to be broken weekly.

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# The biggest risk Lloyd's faces

Within the next few weeks solicitors will serve writs on some of the most famous names in the City of London. The plaintiffs are some of the wealthiest people in the land, individuals who have pledged their personal wealth to back insurance policies written at Lloyd's, the world's pre-eminent insurance market. The defendants are likely to include a number of the best known insurance brokers in the business (companies like Minet and Alexander & Alexander), a clutch of underwriting agents, and perhaps even the venerable Corporation of Lloyd's itself.

The issue is whether Lloyd's has given the plaintiffs, rich sleeping partners known colloquially as "names", a fair deal, or whether, as the names claim, they have been cast adrift and landed with enormous (in some cases crippling) losses which are, at least in part, the result of frauds carried out by unscrupulous men who have now fled the country to evade prosecution.

Prolonged litigation – and one estimate is that the cases could take up a full year in the courts – is likely to do little good for Lloyd's image as skeletons are taken out of the cupboard, dusted off and assiduously shaken.

The latest Lloyd's bombshell burst on May 2 when names on the syndicates run by the Richard Beckett Underwriting Agencies received a letter warning them of "losses of the utmost severity."

It was no exaggeration. The global figure was around £60 million. Individual names were liable for amounts as high as £500,000.

The extraordinary thing was that the names involved, particularly those belonging to syndicate 918, were precisely the same as those who last year were faced with £40 million losses after the alleged misappropriation of funds by two underwriting executives of PCW Underwriting Agencies (renamed Becketts when the fraudsters were unmasked and a compensation package stitched together to bail out the names).

Many names have refused to accede but maintain that there is no question of them welshing on their debts. The position they take is that they will play bona fide trading losses. But therein lies the rub. For what are the bona fide losses? In effect the disaffected names are asking a simple question: can lightning really strike twice in exactly the same place? Is it really possible to believe that the latest losses are in no way connected with the PCW frauds?

### It must prove to the world that its integrity is beyond reproach

Lloyd's for its part has taken the line that names must stump up or be suspended.

At that level the argument was simple: Lloyd's must prove to the world that its integrity is above reproach and that its principle of unlimited liability means precisely what it says, even if that proof ultimately requires a blood sacrifice.

Last month it duly suspended 199 names, all members of the Beckett syndicates, and set aside £56 million from Lloyd's funds to meet potential liabilities. The technical position of the names was that they were unable or unwilling to demonstrate to Lloyd's that they had sufficient personal wealth to meet their liabilities – the so-called solvency test which names must pass each year.

In practice this meant that many of the names had called Lloyd's bluff.

It may be years before the full effects of this unhappy year work their way through and can be properly assessed. But a number of general points emerge.

- ● Any legal action is bound to be a disincentive to potential new names. The market needs new blood and new money, but some may think there are now less risky ways of investing their wealth.
- ● Whatever the rights and wrongs on either side the world's insurers may decide they do not like the 'tone' of London. Though Lloyd's may be the oldest and the most prestigious insurance market it is certainly not the only one.

The awful irony is that this issue, which one side suggests involves fraud while the other says it is no more than bad underwriting, should have burst on Lloyd's so soon after the introduction of the 1982 Lloyd's Act.

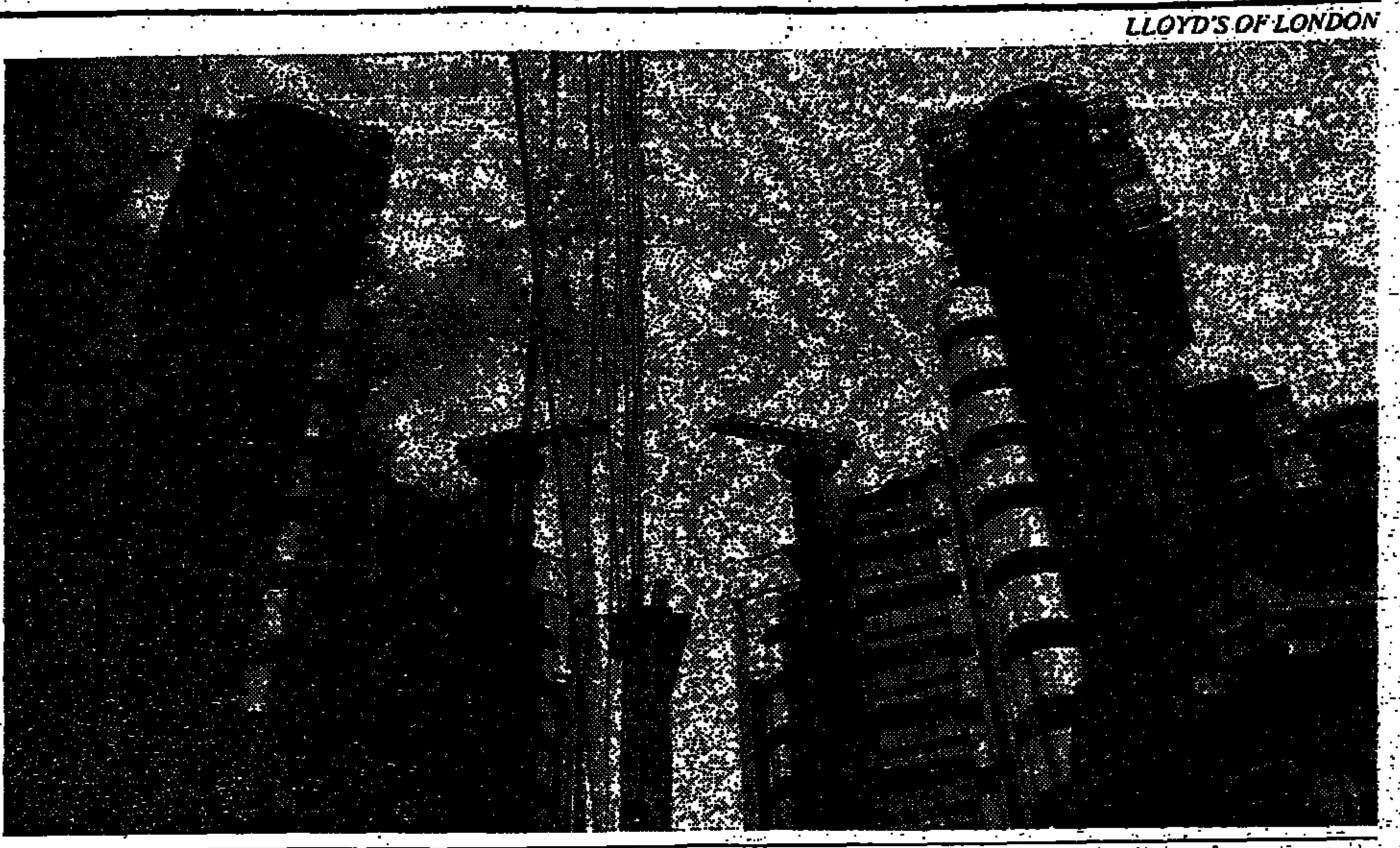
This was meant to modernize the self-regulatory procedures of the institution and give greater protection, through a new governing council, to the names whose money was invested and at risk. When, in the autumn of 1982 the market was shaken by a series of scandals involving a number of major underwriting agencies – the PCW affair among them – there was a public outcry and, at the direct behest of the Governor of the Bank of England, Ian Hay Davison was drafted in as Lloyd's first chief executive.

The reforms were much needed. But the harsh fact is that much of the good that has been done as a result has been overshadowed by the fact that two of the worst of the Lloyd's fraudsters, those who perpetrated the original PCW frauds, are living freely and openly abroad, untouched by the law, while the full weight of Lloyd's is being brought to bear on a group of men and women whose only fault has been to belong to loss-making syndicates.

If the legal proceedings did establish a link between the PCW frauds and the Beckett syndicate losses then the new machinery at Lloyd's would have been shown to have failed in a very public manner.

Lloyd's is still one of the City's top earners. It has a premium capacity of £6.7 billion and is a major contributor to the balance of payments: its brokers earning £1 billion for Britain and half of the collective foreign exchange earnings of the entire British banking system. So it is big business for the UK. But not so big that it can afford any more blunders.

**Malcolm Brown**



# Commodity men start hard sell

The great tin crisis could hardly have broken at a worse time for the City's commodities markets. London has been struggling to reassert its authority as a leading international market-place for both physical commodities and the futures contracts based upon them. Although the collapse of the tin market was caused by the financial failure of the International Tin Agreement, the City's reputation has inevitably been hurt.

But it was far from being a fatal blow. The traditional London markets in metals and soft commodities – such as cocoa, coffee and sugar – may have been experiencing hard times. Their relative decline has been partly balanced by the rise of the newer markets which dominate the modern version of commodities trading.

The London International Financial Futures Exchange is the prime example. On recent record days it has traded 30,000 lots – modest by Chicago standards, but very respectable. Users are confident that the market has the necessary liquidity – the ability to trade substantially and swiftly at a fine price – which is the key to financial markets.

Oil is the world's biggest commodity market, yet only in the last few years have futures markets sprung up. The International Petroleum Exchange was successful with its gas oil (heating oil) contract, although the first crude oil contract flopped. A second crude oil contract has just been launched.

London has taken the initiative in starting the adventurous Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange, which offers the shipping industry the opportunity to hedge against notoriously variable freight rates. The Baltic Exchange has also found a new lease of life by being host to potatoes and meat futures contracts.

Looking further ahead, there are plans for a cut diamond futures contract on the London Commodity Exchange. The LCE is also considering more agricultural contracts, particularly those with a European flavour. Options – technically different from futures, but in practice closely related – have been introduced into currency trading on LIFFE and the Stock Exchange, and so great is the international popularity of options that more are bound to be launched.

It is still true that the range of commodities traded in London is enormous by anyone's standards. The tea, fur, timber, diamond, and spice markets are the lineal descendants of the City's long history as a port and commercial centre. Many of their physical locations to this day, such as Sugar Quay and Sir John Lyon House (the centre of the tea trade) are close to the river. Of the great commodity markets to which Britain has been home over the centuries only cotton in Liverpool and wool in Bradford have been outside London.

Put in these terms, it all seems a picture of rude health. But in the key central markets of the London Metal Exchange and the London Commodity Exchange all is far from well. Many of the newer markets have volumes of only 200 or 300 lots a day. They may grow, but they cannot at the moment substitute for the loss of business in the traditional hard and softs contracts.

The LME and LCE business is both important for itself – copper and coffee are among the world's most traded commodities – and the revenue they generate for the country, and for the multiplier effect they have on other City markets. Heavy coffee trading creates a demand for currency and interest rate hedges which can be met by LIFFE. To allow one exchange to die is to risk a decline in business on others.

To be fair to London, business in the traditional metals and tropical agricultural commodities has been depressed all over the world. The prolonged recession and slow growth of industrial production have reduced demand for metals. Foodstuffs have suffered from universal overproduction, whether by farmers in developing countries or by trading blows such as the European Economic Community and the United States.

But that does not explain why London has lost market share. At bottom there are two sets of reasons. The first is the structure of the London markets. Softs commodity trading is fragmented into terminal market associations (TMAS), one for each commodity under the still rather floppy umbrella of the LCE. Each TMA has a membership of around 30, and in most cases it is the same big firms, often the US commission houses such as Drexel Burnham Lambert or Merrill Lynch, who handle the bulk.

American markets are arranged very differently. They have memberships running into thousands and everyone can trade on equal terms.

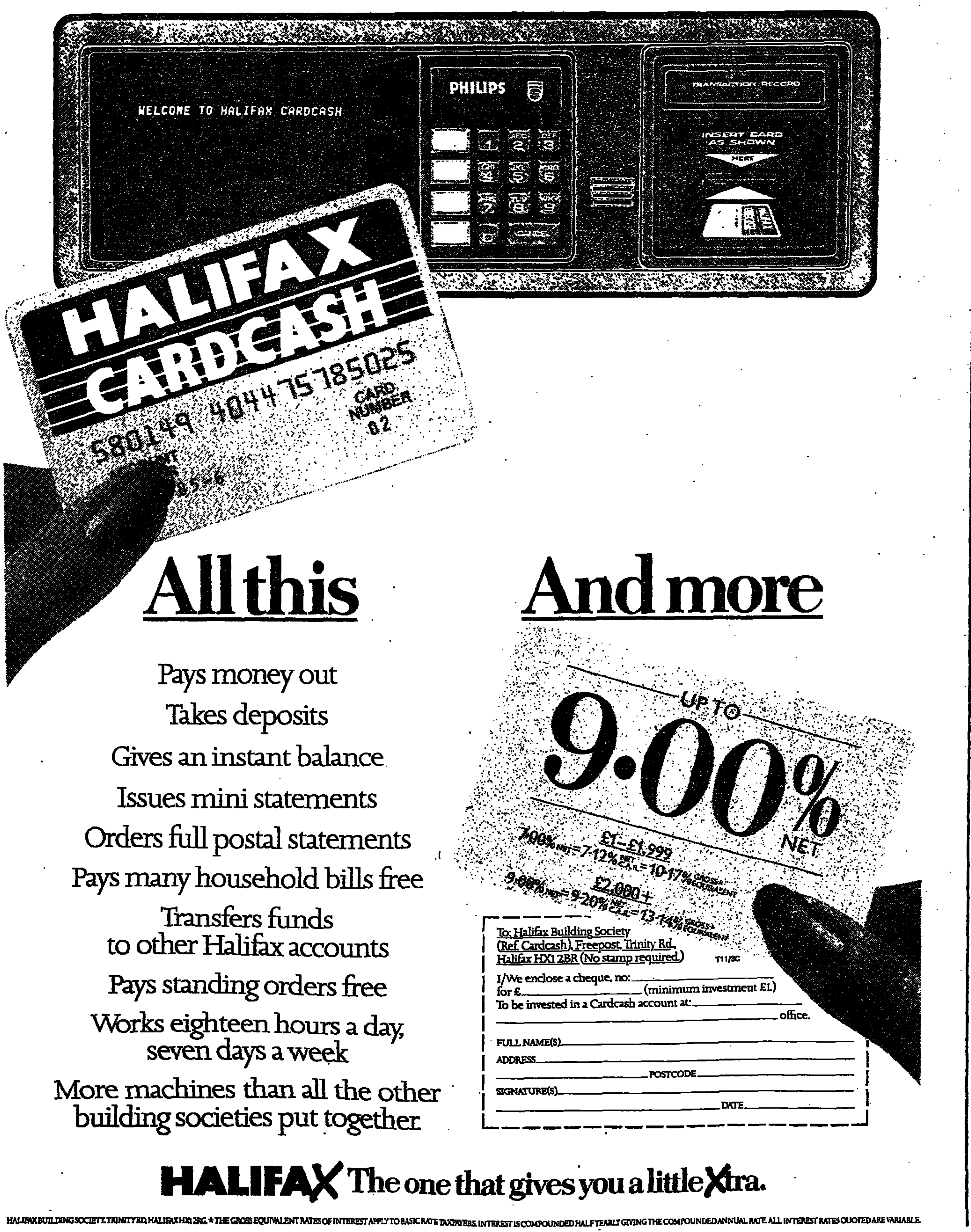
### Technology has revolutionized trading

London has also suffered from geographical changes in production and trading. Rubber and wool barely survive as markets because there is no logical reason why they should be in London. Nor does the time zone argument carry the weight it once did. London still benefits from the historical accident of being on the Greenwich meridian, which places it roughly equidistant between the booming markets of the Far East and America. But technology has revolutionized the speed and accessibility of trading and in the global 24-hour market nobody has a special time advantage.

The second set of reasons for London's difficulty is that the exchanges have been slow to realize the impact of the changes sweeping the markets and even slower to respond.

The LCE has responded to some extent. It has reinforced its promotion and public relations and appointed its first full time executive chairman, Saxon Tate. But there are few signs of change at the LME. Only this year did it appoint a full-time chief executive, Michael Brown.

**Michael Prest**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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

# Woolwich no longer with Nationwide

The financing of building societies may be becoming highly sophisticated but in other respects, societies still tend to display an image of bumbling naivety. Yesterday, the Woolwich Equitable called off the merger with the Nationwide announced in July and planned for the new year. It is by no means the first time that building societies have become engaged and then broken it off, to the extent that the process to marriage of the Leicester and Alliance societies seems almost miraculous.

As so often, the reasons behind the Woolwich breaking off the merger, while substantial, seem only too predictable in advance. The computer systems are, it appears, incompatible; the salary scales are different and the Nationwide's branch offices enjoy considerable autonomy, while the Woolwich keeps more decision-making strings at head office. In other words the two societies have different cultures.

Donald Kirkham, the Woolwich's deputy chief general manager, said that the society had originally thought the benefits of a merger to members would come through within five years, but the Woolwich had now realized it would take longer; a longer view was necessary and the Woolwich was not prepared to take it.

"The merger", said Mr Kirkham, "would also come at a time when the whole financial services market would be in a state of upheaval; we would be knee-deep in our own internal changes and might not be able to take full advantage of the new opportunities available."

The Nationwide is clearly still keen on the idea, insisting that while there are major technical and logistical problems "these could be overcome without too much disruption and the benefits that the merged society would bring in terms of its future role far outweigh the short-term implications in terms of costs and technical difficulties."

In a clash of cultures the bigger usually comes out on top and the Nationwide, number three in the society league, might therefore not find the prospect of adaptation so alarming as colleagues at the Woolwich, which is number six.

As with so many big merger dreams, the initiative for this one is thought to have come from the top, from the like thinking of the Nationwide's Leonard Williams and the Woolwich's Alan Cumming. Sadly, Mr Cumming has been ill and that may have removed some of the extra will to override difficulties.

All this looks embarrassing for building societies in general. The best that can be said is that it is better to discover friendly incompatibility before rather than after marriage.

It remains to be seen whether the planned changes in the rules for building society mergers will make much difference. Under proposed legislation, one society will be able to appeal over the heads of officers of another society to its members to promote a merger. But, since the immediate benefits to members of societies are not always obvious – investing members could always switch to bigger society if they wanted – the influence of officers is likely to remain paramount without the unlikely promise of cheaper mortgages.

## Not the tiniest shred of evidence . . .

It would be a great relief to everyone if Leon Brittan's letter (in full on page 27) to Sir Edward du Cann marked the end of hostilities between Roland "Tiny" Rowland and the Al-Fayed brothers who committed the unforgivable act in Tiny's cold steel-blue eyes of succeeding where he had failed. They, not Lonrho, bought House of Fraser and Harrods. Mr Rowland hates a loser and, as the made clear last night, "Lohnro will continue to insist that the fullest investigation be made into the circumstances of the purchase of House of Fraser".

As the Secretary of State points out in his letter, the way is open for Mr Rowland to bring about the inquiry he is desperately determined to have. "If facts were to become available suggesting an undisclosed merger involving House of Fraser the Director-General (of Fair Trading) would be under a statutory duty to inquire into them." Yet, despite a torrent of accusations against the Al-Fayeds, neither Mr Rowland nor Sir Edward du Cann has offered a shred of evidence to substantiate them.

Mr Brittan states categorically that no information has come to light that tmight affect his predecessor's decision not to refer the Al-Fayeds' bid to the Monopolies Commission. No evidence has been provided by Lonrho to support its repeated assertions that funds from the Sultan of Brunei had been used to buy Fraser/Harrods.

Mr Rowland's persistent campaigning is damaging in various ways, one of the most important being the harm he is doing to the morale of mamagement and staff of House of Fraser. After years of uncertainty caused by Lonrho's virulent opposition to the majority of the Fraser board, the company had a right to expect the opportunity under constructive owners to concentrate on building the business.

## Shining star and Rising Sun

A galaxy of the great and the good came together yesterday to pay tribute to one of the brightest, but not often generally observed, stars of British industry. Sir Edwin Nixon, from a modest start 30 years ago as a salesman in a company with 26 customers, has guided IBM United Kingdom to remarkable heights of technical achievement, sales, exports and earnings.

He will shortly retire as chief executive, while remaining as chairman, and it is some measure of his success that in the 90 minutes taken by the lunch given yesterday in his honour, IBK (UK) had created one new job (to add to its 18,000), spent £250,000 with suppliers, invested another £100,000 in capital equipment, and in Greenock, had made enough personal computers to supply one to every person in the room.

John Akers, IBM's president and chief executive officer over from the United States, paid due and eloquent tribute to Eddie Nixon but as one would expect, business is never far away from true IBM minds: IBM is again "hoping mad" with the Japanese: it is taking renewed action against Fujitsu over software copyright.

IBM signed agreements with both Fujitsu and Hitachi in 1983 after allegations by the Americans of industrial espionage. But, according to Mr Akers, Fujitsu is still copying the company's programs and that the dispute was not simply about copywright interpretation.

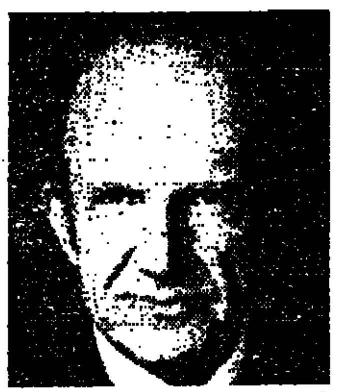
Mr Akers said, "this is a dispute arising out of a 1983 settlement agreement. IBM had hoped that the agreement would resolve the problems of Fujitsu's extensive copying of IBM programs. Unfortunately, it has not and we have been forced to take further action to protect our rights.

"This is clearly not a difference of opinion on how the copywright laws should be interpreted as Fujitsu would have the world believe." Mr akers would not go into further detail because the matter was in arbitration. "I will only respond to new statements by Fujitsu when I feel it is important to keep the record straight."

IBM has submitted its claim to the American Arbitration Association which investigates disputes between American and foreign companies. IBM's complaints appear to centre on Fujitsu's alleged copying of its advanced software operating systems.

# Brewers braced for takeovers after S&N bid is cleared

By Jeremy Warner
Business Correspondent



Patrick Townsend: expected to put up fierce defence

Regional brewers are bracing themselves for a new spate of takeovers after unconditional clearance by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission of a bid for Matrhew Brown, the Blackburn Brewer by Scottish & Newcastle Breweries.

The Commission has concluded after a six month inquiry that a takeover by S&N would not operate against the public interest. Contrary to stock market speculation, there are no conditions attached to the findings which are due to be published next week.

The Commission's decision seems to clear the way for a range of takeovers in the industry. But there could be special factors which weighed with the Commission on the S&N bid because the North East brewer has the least number of tied pubs of the big brewers.

The Commission may also have adopted a favourable stance because S&N is the smallest of the big six brewers.

Analysts had expected S&N to be given the go ahead only on condition that it guaranteed to keep all four of Brown's breweries open.

It has enough spare capacity to brew Brown's present production and the future of at least two of the four breweries, which employ a total of 600, would be in doubt if a new bid from the Edinburgh company is successful.

S&N's bid would be worth 610p a share or £138 million in total if renewed on the old terms, offered before the Monoplies Commission reference, of 14 shares and 405p in cash for every five Brown shares.

Mr Alick Rankin, chief executive of S&N, said last night that the stock market would probably be making a mistake if it believed S&N was going to renew the bid for Brown on the same terms.

"People would be wise to forger the past", he said.

On the stock market yesterday, Matthew Brown shares were strong for the second successive day rising a further 15p to 478p

Other regional brewers were also marked higher with the Vaux Group up 12p at 395p and Greene King 2p higher at 236p.

The Monopolies Commission report will have a profound effect on the share prices of a number of brewers, according to a recent survey of the regional industry

The survey lists three companies besides Matthew Brown where family or other interests would not be sufficient to block an unwelcome takeover bid. These are Vaux, Greene King, and Wolverhampton & Dudley.

Most of the other regional brewers shelter behind controlling family interests or the Whitbread "umbrella". Companies where Whitbread is a major shareholder include Boddingtons, Buckleys, J A Devenish, Marston Thompson & Evershed, and Morland.

# Pound falls 1.7 cents to $1.4195

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

The pound fell sharply yesterday on worries about lower oil prices and fears that the tin crisis could spill over into other London financial markets. It dropped 1.7 cents to $1.4195 and the sterling index fell 0.7 to 79.3.

The pound was also weak against the European currencies, reviving speculation about imminent sterling entry into the European Monetary System. It fell 1.7 pfennigs to DM3.7186, having dipped to DM3.70 in earlier trading.

Last night in New York, the pound had steadied to $1.4220.

Apart from the weak pound, foreign exchange trading was dominated by uncertainties over the course of the dollar and an upward move of the yen-dollar rate to within reach of the key 200 level.

Apparently conflicting messages from the US Federal Reserve Board added to the confusion. Mr Paul Volcker, the Fed chairman, said in a letter to the House of Domestic Monetary Policy sub-committee, dated November 6, that the Board would not act aggressively to bring the M1 money supply measure back within target range.

However, Mr Stephen Axelrod, the Fed director for monetary policy, told the sub-committee yesterday that a dollar "hard landing" would push up US inflation and boost interest rates.

The dollar, which had dipped to 201.4 against the yen in Far East trading, recovered to close at 205.45 in London.

Mr Satoshi Sumita, the Governor of the Bank of Japan, said the present level of the yen against the dollar did not reflect economic fundamentals and that he would like to see it stronger. Foreign exchange dealers in Tokyo believe the aim is for a rate of 190.

# Thatcher asked for help in tin crisis

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

The London Metal Exchange yesterday appealed to the Prime Minister to intervene in the tin crisis.

The appeal was made as the International Tin Council adjourned until November 14, without offering any solution.

The council, in a statement, said that a British proposal had been noted and would be studied closely. It is understood, however, that the proposal was to set up a working paty.

Mr Jacques Lion, chairman of the LME board, wrote to Mrs Thatchr: "I urgently request your personal intervention and the opportunity to report to you in detail on the general situation regarding the default of the International Tin Council."

The Lion said that the behaviour of the EEC suggested that "the sactity of contract was now dependent on the size of commitment." He warned that if contracts were not fulfilled "the result will be commercial anarchy not only in the field of commodity trading but in all types of international trading."

The ITC owes tin traders, including 15 LME members, up to £600 million. It owes another £300 million to a group of 16 banks and metals firms.

The crisis broke two weeks ago when the ITC said that its buffer stock, which had supported the in price, had run out of cash and would suspend operations.

Tin trading on the LME has been suspended since then. But the LME board and committee are due to meet this morning to decide whether to resume tin trading.

The LME authorities are under great pressure. Trading in other metals worldwide has been severely disrupted. Yesterday the Japanese warned that they might have to reschedule their steel production.

The Malaysians, who rescinded an earlier threat to begin selling tin direct from two smelters, said that the financial position of their mines was becoming critical.

The ITC said yesterday that its chairman, Mr Peter Lai, would continue consultations with bankers and brokers.

This was welcomed last night by Mr Leon Brittan, the Secretary of State for Trade and industry, whose department is responsible for commodity trading. He reiterated the government's readiness to meet its share of the ITC's commitments and called on other council members to do the same.

But the Bank of England said that it would be inappropriate for it to intervene

Crisis fall-out, page 14

# £4m push for sale of C&W

By Our
Business Correspondent

A British Telecom-style publicity campaign is being launched by the Government to help the £550 million sale early next month of its remaining 22.7 per cent share stake in Cable and Wireless, the international telecommunications group.

The campaign, in which £4 million is being spent on press and television advertising, is intended to improve public awareness of the issue and the company.

Eight regional road shows are planned before the issue, which is expected in the first week of next month.

Cable and Wireless confirmed that it will be using the sell-off to raise about £350 million of new money with a one for eight rights issue.

The Government's rights issue entitlement of 12.8 million shares is to be sold in Canada and Japan and the company will be seeking a listing on the Tokyo stock exchange early next year.

The company said it wanted the new money, which will eliminate its net borrowings, to provide the maximum flexibility for siezing business opportunities.

IN BRIEF

## Burton to sell shops

The Burton Group is expected to announce shortly that it is selling the Hamleys and Harvey Nichols stores which it acquired with Debenhams this summer. Burton is also looking for a buyer for the Lotus shoes business.

House of Fraser, which attempted to frustrate Burton's bid for Debenhams, is the likely purchaser of the two up-market store businesses. It is known that Fraser will shortly reveal two major deals and the Al-Fayed brothers, who own Fraser, have made no secret of their desire to buy Harvey Nichols.

## £3.4m loss

CASE Group, the data communications equipment company, has reported a pretax loss of £3.4 million for the six months to September 30 against a pretax profit of £42.2 million a year ago. Sales rose to £49.6 million from £40.4 million. The interim dividend is maintained at 0.45p. Tempus, page 25

## Rush for shares

Two issues, launched last week have been oversubscribed. It looks as if International City Holdings, the money broker, has attracted applications for 252 million shares, against 14 million on offer. Indications on Inoco, the American oil company, were that it was subscribed 1.1 times.

## Payouts held

Two discount houses have announced maintained interim dividends for the six months to October 31. Cater Allen Holdings will pay 8p and King & Shaxson 2.5p. Tempus page 25

## SPP offer

SPP, a supplier of pumps and fire-fighting equipment, is coming to the stock market via an offer for sale by Samuel Montagu, the merchant bank. The shares are being offered at 125p each, valuing SPP at £19.6 million. Tempus, page 25

## Steer leads

Mr Ian Steers of Wood Gundy, the Canadian broker, has been appointed chairman of the steering committee of the proposed International Securities Self-Regulatory Organization whose plans to operate a vast securities market have been a thorn in the side of the Stock Exchange.

# Chairman ousted at London Shop

By Alison Eadie

Shareholders in London Shop Property Trust voted at yesterday's annual meeting to oust Mr Sidney Farr from the board, despite a plea from the 83-year-old former company chairman and former Wimbledon MP, Sir Cyril Black, for an adjournment of the vote.

Sir Cyril, who told the meeting that he had known Mr Farr for many years, said that shareholders were in danger of perpetrating a monstrous injustice by pre-judging a writ against the company for wrongful termination of his five-year contract. The case has yet to be heard.

Sir Cyril said Mr Farr's long experience in property was needed on the board, which was not over-rich in property experience. The present chairman, Mr Hugh Jones, denied this claim, saying the company had plenty of property expertise.

Mr Farr's former board colleagues voted to remove him because they said he failed to perform his duties satisfactorily.

It was said that he worked short hours and took a holiday when the chairman was away on business.

Mr Farr issued a refutation of all the allegations against him, which was read to the meeting.

# Allied hits at Elders' performance

Allied-Lyons hit out yesterday at the profit are performance of Elders IXL, the australian company behind the £1.8 billion takeover bid for Allied. Elders' chief executive Elliott dismissed the criticisms.

Allied alleges that Elders is "seriously over-geared", to which Mr Elliott retorted that Elders had cut its debt by half in the last lyear.

Allied also argues that after ripping out the December 1983 acquisition of Carlton United Breweries, Elders' existing business show a decline in profits. Mr Elliott conceded that his international division had been "flat", but claimed that the other divisions had all shown an improved performance before the interest charges incurred with the acquisition of CUB. He also blamed interest charges for narrowing his profit margins.

Allied claims that its margins on beer production are 9.5 per cent against only 3.6 per cent for Elders.

# Hawley may sell Cope Allman stake

Mr Michael Ashcroft's Hawley Group is thinking of cashing in on the £32 million profit it has made on its investment in the packaging group, Cope Allman International.

Hawley acquired the bulk of its 43 per cent holding in 1983 at 70p a share. Since then the shares have risen nearly fourfold to stand at 267p in the market yesterday, 8p up on the day.

Mr Ashcroft has written to Cope shareholders saying it is difficult to justify holding on to a minority stake of such size in a comapny outside its own core businesses.

Market observers took this to indicate Mr Ashcroft was intending to place the shares with institutions shortly.

## MARKET SUMMARY

### STOCK MARKETS

| | |
|---|---|
| FT Ind Ord | 1073.5 (−7.8) |
| FT All Share | 675.20 (−3.0) |
| FT Govt Securities | 83.52 (−0.18) |
| FT-SE 100 | 1384.8 (−10.2) |
| Bargains 25,552 | |
| Datastream USM | 107.96 (−0.75) |
| **New York** | |
| Dow Jones | 1403.32 (−0.11) |
| **Tokyo** | |
| Nikkei Dow | 12,851.24 (−41.16) |
| **Hong Kong:** | |
| Hang Seng | 1721.93 (+21.17) |
| **Amsterdam:** | 231.8 (−1.2) |
| **Sydney:** AO | 1001.9 (+3.8) |
| **Frankfurt:** | |
| Commerzbank | 1771.6 (+2.4) |
| **Brussels:** | |
| General | 820.99 (+5.33) |
| **Paris:** CAC | 228.6 (+3.6) |
| **Zurich:** | |
| SKA General | 451.60 (+5.20) |

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| SI Group | 19.50p +2.50p |
| Yorklyde | 200p +20p |
| Humberside Elect | 11p +1p |
| Rosehaugh | 1900p +250p |
| New Court Ntrl | 30p +2p |
| Manganese Bronze | 84p +4p |
| BSG Intl | 26.50p +1.50p |
| Horizon Travel | 92p +5p |
| Crowther (J) Group | 94p +5p |
| London IT | 29p +1.50p |
| Consultants (C & F) | 80p +4p |
| CASE | 109p +5p |
| Control Secs | 22p +1p |
| Mercantile House | 292p +13p |
| Audio Fidelity | 45p +2p |
| **FALLS:** | |
| ICC Oil | 8p −0.50p |
| Radio City "A" NV | 18p −3p |
| Stoddard Hdgs | 14p −2p |
| Jebsens Drilling | 38p −5p |
| Pengkalen | 200p −20p |
| Quest Automation | 28p −3p |
| Common Brothers | 10p −1p |
| Barbican | 2.75p −0.25p |
| Petranol | 115p −10p |
| Douglas (Robert M) | 72p −6p |

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**London:**
£: $1.4195 (−0.0170)
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### INTEREST RATES

**London:**
*Bank Base: 11½%*
3-month Interbank 11 21/32–11 19/32%
3-month eligible bills:
buying rate 11 3/16–11 5/32%
**US:**
Prime Rate 9.50%
Federal Funds 8 9/16%
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|---|---|---|
| AMR | 40½ | 39¼ |
| ASA | 35⅝ | 33¾ |
| Allied Signal | 43⅞ | 44⅛ |
| Allied Stores | 61⅝ | 58⅞ |
| Allis Chalmers | 3½ | 3¾ |
| Alcoa | 33⅛ | 33 |
| Amax Inc | 10¾ | 10¾ |
| Amerada Hess | 29⅝ | 29½ |
| Am Brands | 57¼ | 57¼ |
| Am Broadcast | 118⅝ | 118¼ |
| Am Can | 61⅜ | 58⅝ |
| Am Cyanamid | 53⅞ | 53⅞ |
| Am Elec Power | 22 | 22¼ |
| Am Express | 47¼ | 45⅞ |
| Am Home | 58½ | 58¾ |
| Am Hospital | 47¼ | 46½ |
| Am Motors | 2¾ | 2¾ |
| Am Standard | 30¼ | 30⅝ |
| Am Telephone | 21⅝ | 21⅛ |
| Amoco | 66¾ | 66⅝ |
| Armco Steel | 8⅞ | 8¾ |
| Asarco | 16 | 16⅛ |
| Ashland Oil | 35¾ | 36 |
| Atlntic Richfield | 64 | 64⅝ |
| Avon Products | 27 | 26¾ |
| Bankers Tst NY | 65½ | 64¾ |
| Bankamerica | 14⅝ | 14⅝ |
| Bank of Boston | 53⅝ | 53⅝ |
| Bank of NY | 44¾ | 44¾ |
| Beatrice Foods | 44⅛ | 43⅞ |
| Bethlehem Steel | 13½ | 13½ |
| Boeing | 46½ | 46⅝ |
| Boise Cascade | 41½ | 41½ |
| Borden | 43¾ | 42 |
| Borg Warner | 21⅛ | 21½ |
| Bristol Myers | 60½ | 61⅛ |
| BP | 32 | 32⅛ |
| Burlington Ind | 30 | 30 |
| Burlington Nthn | 65⅝ | 65½ |
| Burroughs | 57½ | 57¼ |
| Campbell Soup | 41⅞ | 42½ |
| Canadian Pacific | 12¼ | 12 |
| Caterpillar | 35¾ | 36¼ |
| Celanese | 131¾ | 131¼ |
| Central SW | 25⅛ | 25⅛ |
| Champion | 22⅝ | 22⅝ |
| Chase Manhat | 59¾ | 59¾ |
| Chem Bank NY | 39¾ | 39⅝ |
| Chevron | 37½ | 38 |
| Chrysler | 41⅝ | 41⅛ |
| Citicorp | 44⅝ | 44¼ |
| Clark Equip | 26 | 26⅝ |
| Coca Cola | 74¾ | 74⅝ |
| Colgate | 30⅝ | 29⅞ |
| CBS | 120⅝ | 120 |
| Columbia Gas | 36¾ | 36¾ |
| Combustion Eng | 27⅝ | 27¾ |
| Comwith Edison | 28¾ | 28⅝ |
| Cons Edison | 34⅝ | 34¾ |
| Cons Nat Gas | 42 | 42 |
| Cons Power | 7½ | 7½ |
| Control Data | 17⅝ | 17⅝ |
| Corning Glass | 52⅞ | 52¾ |
| CPC Intl | 48⅛ | 48¼ |
| Crane | 37 | 38¾ |
| Crown Zeller | 40¼ | 40 |
| Dart & Kraft | 40⅝ | 39⅝ |
| Deere | 25⅝ | 25 |
| Delta Air | 40⅛ | 39¾ |
| Detroit Edison | 15⅝ | 15⅛ |
| Digital Equip | 115⅝ | 117¾ |
| Disney | 93 | 92⅝ |
| Dow Chemical | 36⅞ | 36⅝ |
| Dresser Ind | 18½ | 18⅛ |
| Duke Power | 33⅝ | 33½ |
| Du Pont | 61¾ | 61⅝ |
| Eastern Air | 6¾ | 6⅞ |
| Eastman Kodak | 44¾ | 44½ |
| Eaton Corp | 57 | 56⅞ |
| Emerson Elect | 70¼ | 69¾ |
| Evans Prod | 1¼ | 1⅛ |

| | Nov 6 | Nov 5 |
|---|---|---|
| Exxon Corp | 52¾ | 53½ |
| Fed Dept Stores | 67⅛ | 65⅝ |
| Firestone | 18⅞ | 18¾ |
| Fst Chicago | 24⅝ | 24½ |
| Fst Intrst Bncp | 49¾ | 48⅞ |
| Fst Penn Corp | 6½ | 6⅝ |
| Ford | 48 | 48⅛ |
| GAF Corp | 41 | 39⅞ |
| GTE Corp | 41⅛ | 41¼ |
| Gen Corp | 63⅝ | 61⅝ |
| Gen Dynamics | 63⅝ | 64 |
| Gen Electric | 61½ | 61 |
| Gen Inst | 15½ | 14⅞ |
| Gen Mills | 64 | 64⅝ |
| Gen Motors | 68¾ | 69½ |
| Gen Pub Util NY | 15¾ | 15⅞ |
| Genesco | 3½ | 3¼ |
| Georgia Pacific | 21⅝ | 22 |
| Gillette | 66¾ | 66½ |
| Goodrich | 31⅜ | 31⅞ |
| Goodyear | 27 | 26¼ |
| Gould Inc | 32½ | 32¾ |
| Grace | 37⅞ | 37⅝ |
| Gt Atltc & Pacific | 18⅞ | 18 |
| Greyhound | 29⅛ | 28½ |
| Grumman Corp | 29⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Gulf & West | 43½ | 43⅝ |
| Heinz H. J. | 28⅝ | 28⅝ |
| Hercules | 37⅛ | 36⅝ |
| Hewlett-Pkrd | 32⅝ | 30⅞ |
| Honeywell | 63¼ | 62⅝ |
| IC Inds | 36⅞ | 36½ |
| Ingersoll | 54 | 53 |
| Inland Steel | 20⅛ | 20 |
| IBM | 132¾ | 133⅝ |
| Int Harvester | 7⅝ | 7½ |
| INCO | 11½ | 11 |
| Int Paper | 46¼ | 46⅝ |
| Int Tel Tel | 33½ | 34⅛ |
| Irving Bank | 38⅞ | 39¼ |
| Jim Walter | 37⅝ | 36⅞ |
| Johnson & John | 48⅝ | 47½ |
| Kaiser Alumin | 14¾ | 14¾ |
| Kerr McGee | 32½ | 32⅝ |
| Kimberly Clark | 59¾ | 59⅛ |
| K Mart | 32½ | 32¼ |
| Kroger | 46⅛ | 45¼ |
| L.T.V. Corp | 6 | 6 |
| Litton | 82⅝ | 82 |
| Lockheed | 46 | 46¼ |
| Lucky Stores | 24¼ | 23⅞ |
| Manuf Hanover | 38⅞ | 39¾ |
| Manville Cp | 5¼ | 5⅝ |
| Mapco | 35½ | 35½ |
| Marine Midland | 34⅞ | 34¾ |
| Martin Marietta | 33¼ | 33 |
| Masco | 35¼ | 34½ |
| McDonnell | 67¼ | 67 |
| Mead | 37¾ | 38⅛ |
| Merck | 118⅞ | 119⅝ |
| Minnesota Mng | 80½ | 79⅞ |
| Mobil Oil | 30⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Monsanto | 44⅝ | 45 |
| Morgan J. P. | 53⅝ | 53¾ |
| Motorola | 33 | 31½ |
| NCR Corp | 35⅝ | 36 |
| NL Industries | 12¾ | 12⅝ |
| Nat Distillers | 32 | 32⅛ |
| Nat Med Ent | 21 | 20½ |
| Nat Semicndctr | 11⅝ | 10½ |
| Norfolk South | 73½ | 72⅞ |
| NW Bancorp | 26 | 25¼ |
| Occidental Pet | 33¾ | 34⅛ |
| Ogden | 31½ | 31½ |
| Olin Corp | 35⅞ | 35⅞ |
| Owens-Illinois | 52⅛ | 52 |
| Pacific Gas Elec | 18⅞ | 18¾ |
| Pan Am | 8⅝ | 8½ |
| Penney J. C. | 48½ | 48¼ |
| Pennzoil | 47⅛ | 47⅛ |
| Pepsico | 65⅝ | 65¼ |

| | Nov 6 | Nov 5 |
|---|---|---|
| Pfizer | 48 | 48¼ |
| Phelps Dodge | 19⅝ | 19⅝ |
| Philip Morris | 73⅞ | 73¼ |
| Phillips Petrol | 13½ | 13⅝ |
| Polaroid | 37⅛ | 37⅝ |
| PPG Ind | 48⅝ | 48⅝ |
| Procter Gamble | 65⅞ | 66¾ |
| Pub Ser El & Gas | 28⅞ | 28¾ |
| Raytheon | 48⅝ | 48½ |
| RCA Corp | 48 | 48⅝ |
| Reynolds Ind | 25½ | 25⅝ |
| Reynolds Metal | 31½ | 31¼ |
| Rockwell Int | 33⅝ | 34 |
| Royal Dutch | 63¾ | 63⅝ |
| Safeways | 35⅞ | 35⅝ |
| Sara Lee | 48 | 48⅝ |
| SFE Sopac | 33 | 32⅝ |
| SCM | 73¼ | 73¼ |
| Schlumberger | 34 | 34½ |
| Scott Paper | 44⅝ | 44¼ |
| Seagram | 42⅝ | 42⅝ |
| Sears Roebuck | 34¾ | 34⅝ |
| Shell Trans | 38½ | 39¼ |
| Singer | 37⅞ | 38 |
| Smithkline Beck | 70 | 69⅞ |
| Sony | 18⅝ | 18 |
| Sth Cal Edison | 25 | 25¼ |
| Sperry Corp | 47 | 47⅝ |
| Std Oil Ohio | 51¼ | 51⅝ |
| Sterling Drug | 38⅛ | 35¾ |
| Stevens J. P. | 26⅝ | 26¾ |
| Sun Comp | 51½ | 51⅝ |
| Teledyne | 285⅞ | 286⅛ |
| Tenneco | 38 | 38⅝ |
| Texaco | 38⅛ | 38½ |
| Texas East Corp | 36¾ | 36⅝ |
| Texas Inst | 94¾ | 90¼ |
| Texas Utilities | 28½ | 28⅛ |
| Textron | 49⅝ | 49¼ |
| Travelers Corp | 45⅞ | 46 |
| TRW Inc | 81⅝ | 80¼ |
| UAL Inc | 49⅝ | 48⅞ |
| Unilever NV | 123¼ | 122 |
| Union Carbide | 60 | 58¾ |
| Un Pacific Corp | 49 | 48¾ |
| United Brands | 23½ | 23½ |
| US Steel | 26⅝ | 26⅝ |
| Utd Technol | 39½ | 38⅝ |
| Unocal | 28¾ | 28⅞ |
| Wachovia | 33¼ | 32⅝ |
| Warner Lambert | 38⅞ | 38 |
| Wells Fargo | 57 | 58⅝ |
| Westnghse Elec | 43⅛ | 42¾ |
| Weyerhauser | 28¾ | 28 |
| Whirlpool | 45 | 46 |
| Woolworth | 52⅝ | 52¼ |
| Xerox Corp | 53½ | 52¾ |
| Zenith | 17½ | 17⅝ |

### CANADIAN PRICES

| | Nov 6 | Nov 5 |
|---|---|---|
| Abitibi | 17¾ | 17⅝ |
| Alcan Alumn | 34½ | 34⅞ |
| Algoma Steel | 18½ | 18½ |
| Bell Telephone | 42⅝ | 42½ |
| Can Pacific | 16⅞ | 16½ |
| Cominco | 11¾ | 11¾ |
| Cons Bathurst | 15⅞ | 16 |
| Gulf Oil | 20¼ | 20⅝ |
| Hawker/Sid Can | 21¼ | 21⅝ |
| Hudson Bay Mn | 6¾ | 6⅛ |
| Imasco | 24⅝ | 24¾ |
| Imperial Oil | 50¾ | 50¾ |
| Int Pipe | 44½ | 44¼ |
| Mass.-Fergsn | 3.10 | 3.10 |
| Royal Trustco | 21 | 21 |
| Seagram | 58⅛ | 58⅞ |
| Steel Co | 20⅝ | 20¾ |
| Thomson N 'A' | 21⅝ | 21½ |
| Walker Hiram | 33½ | 32⅞ |
| WCT | 17⅛ | 17 |

● Ex div a Asked. c Ex distribution h Bid k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

# Dow falls from record

New York (Reuter) – Wall Street turned mixed in early trading yesterday with blue chips pulling back after setting records two days in a row.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 0.11 points to 1,403.33. Advancing issues led declines by a margin of 326 to 237 on turnover of 13.71 million shares, but broad market indicators were also ower.

Sears, Roebuck led the active issues up ⅛ to 34⅞ and ATT was second, down ¼ to 20½.

Among the blue chips, General Motors (ex-dividend) was down 1⅝ to 67⅛ an IBM was dow ⅝ to 132¼. Eastman Kodak, which reported lower earnings on Wednesday, was down ⅞ to 44.

Analysts said that shares may continue to draw support from a stronger bond market. When the bond market strengthes, and interest rates fall, lowering business cost of borrowing money.

The Federal Reserve chairman, Mr Paul Volcker said in a letter to Mr Walter Fauntroy, chairman of the Subcommittee for domestic monetary policy, that the FED would try to keep short-term interest rates from rising for the rest of the year.

Mr Marvin Katz of Sanford C Bernstein said the stock market would continue to move higher.

## COMMODITIES

Only few carries were done on the London Metal Exchange yesterday as the whole market held its breath. Precious metals were unimpressed by either the other metals or the dollar and were sluggish.

Coffee was again a nervous market. Prices were marked down early on, but then dealers had second thoughts about the likely size of the Brazilian crop.

There was some interest in sugar as traders studied their charts. financials have suffered a little from the relatively quiet dollar.

### LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

Rubber in p per kilo;
Soyabean meal, coffee and cocoa in £ per tonne;
Gas-oil and sugar in US $ per tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

| RUBBER | |
|---|---|
| Dec | 800 SLR |
| Jan | Unquoted |
| Feb | Unquoted |
| Mar | Unquoted |
| Apr | Unquoted |
| May | Unquoted |
| June | Unquoted |
| July | Unquoted |
| Aug | Unquoted |
| Jan/Mar | Unquoted |
| Apr/June | Unquoted |
| July/Sept | Unquoted |
| Vol | Unquoted |
| Tone | Unquoted |

| SUGAR (Raw) | |
|---|---|
| No. 6 | 16.40 |
| Dec | 147.0–46.4 |
| Mar | 158.8–56.6 |
| May | 162.8–62.6 |
| Aug | 168.5–68.2 |
| Oct | 173.2–72.8 |
| Dec | Unquoted |
| Vol | 1332 |

| SUGAR (White) | |
|---|---|
| No. 5 | 16.25 |
| Dec | Unquoted |
| Mar | Unquoted |
| May | Unquoted |
| Aug | Unquoted |
| Oct | Unquoted |
| Dec | Unquoted |
| Mar | Unquoted |
| Vol | 154 |

| COCOA | |
|---|---|
| Oct | – |
| Dec | 1635–31 |
| Mar | 1680–79 |
| May | 1709–08 |
| July | 1738–34 |
| Sep | 1762–54 |
| Dec | 1765–57 |
| Mar | 1787–75 |
| Vol | 2605 |

| COFFEE | |
|---|---|
| Nov | 1878–1870 |
| Jan | 1908–05 |
| Mar | 1900–1896 |
| May | 1902–01 |
| Jul | 1910–05 |
| Sep | 1910–05 |
| Nov | 1915–1895 |
| Vol | 4597 |

| SOYABEAN | |
|---|---|
| Dec | 128.5–28.1 |
| Feb | 131.4–31.1 |
| Apr | 130.9–30.6 |
| Jun | 128.8–26.3 |
| Aug | 127.0–28.3 |
| Oct | 128.5–28.1 |
| Dec | 130.5–29.3 |
| Vol | 212 |

| GAS OIL | |
|---|---|
| Nov | 267.00–66.75 |
| Dec | 264.00–63.75 |
| Jan | 261.75–61.50 |
| Feb | 257.75–57.50 |
| Mar | 249.00–48.75 |
| Apr | 242.75–42.50 |
| May | 235.50–34.75 |
| Jun | 233.00–32.25 |
| Jul | 233.00–32.00 |
| Vol | 2,344 |

### LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Unofficial prices
Official turnover figures.
Prices in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

| COPPER HIGH GRADE | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 949.00-950.00 |
| Three months | 979.00-979.50 |
| Vol | 8,550 |
| Tone | Steadier |

| STANDARD CATHODES | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 928.00-930.00 |
| Three months | 960.00-961.00 |
| Vol | 150 |
| Tone | Steadier |

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| LEAD | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 274.00-275.00 |
| Three months | 277.50-278.50 |
| Vol | 5,225 |
| Tone | Steady, quiet |

| ZINC STANDARD | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 397.00-398.00 |
| Vol | 300 |
| Tone | Quiet |

| ZINC HIGH GRADE | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 407.00-408.00 |
| Three months | 421.00-422.00 |
| Vol | 1,700 |
| Tone | Firmer |

| SILVER LARGE | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 423.0-424.0 |
| Three months | 436.0-436.5 |
| Vol | 21 |
| Tone | Steadier |

| SILVER SMALL | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 422.0-424.0 |
| Three months | 436.0-436.5 |
| Vol | Nil |
| Tone | Idle |

| ALUMINIUM | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 660.00-661.00 |
| Three months | 685.00-686.00 |
| Vol | 4,250 |
| Tone | Firmer |

| NICKEL | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 2800-2810 |
| Three months | 2865-2870 |
| Vol | 270 |
| Tone | Steadier |

### MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on November 7

GB: Cattle, 94.57p per kg lw (–0.22).
GB: Sheep, 147.35p per kg est d c w (–0.86).
GB: Pigs, 84.01p per kg lw (–0.02).

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 6.0 per cent, ave. price, 94.59p (+0.01).
Sheep nos. down 15.4 per cent, ave. price, 147.78p (+0.07).
Pig nos. up 2.5 per cent, ave. price, 84.09p (–0.03).

Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 0.8 per cent, ave. price, 94.48p (–1.45).
Sheep nos. down 8.6 per cent, ave. price, 145.14p (–5.90).
Pig nos. down 10.7 per cent, ave. price, 80.03p (–0.20).

### LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

£ per tonne

| Month | Wheat Close | Barley Close |
|---|---|---|
| Nov | £108.10 | £107.95 |
| Jan | £110.85 | £110.90 |
| Mar | £113.45 | £113.55 |
| May | £116.30 | £115.65 |
| Jly | £118.75 | – |
| Sep | £97.30 | 97.70 |

Volume:
Wheat 452
Barley 158

### LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Live Pig Contract
p per kilo

| Month | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Nov | uq | uq |
| Jan | uq | uq |
| Feb | uq | uq |
| Mar | uq | uq |
| Apr | uq | uq |
| May | uq | uq |
| Jun | uq | uq |
| Jul | uq | uq |
| Aug | uq | uq |
| Sep | uq | uq |
| Oct | uq | uq |
| | | Vol: 0 |

Pig meat
p per kilo
November expired at 12.00 noon

| Month | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Nov | 118.6 | – |
| Feb | 99.4 | 100.1 |
| Apr | 100.8 | 101.8 |
| Jun | 99.2 | 99.4 |
| Aug | 98.3 | 98.7 |
| Oct | 103.4 | 104.3 |
| | | Vol: 70 |

### LONDON POTATO FUTURES

£ per tonne

| Month | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Nov | 68.80 | 65.20 |
| Feb | 70.80 | 69.90 |
| Apr | 79.40 | 78.30 |
| May | 85.20 | 84.20 |
| | | Vol: 374 |

### BALTIC FREIGHT INDEX

G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report
$10 per index point

| | High/Low | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Jan 86 | 890.0-886.0 | 887.0 |
| Apr 86 | 947.0-946.0 | 947.0 |
| Jul 86 | 840.0-840.0 | 834.5 |
| Oct 86 | 928.0-923.0 | 923.0 |
| Jan 87 | — | 950.0 |
| Apr 87 | — | 1030.0 |
| Jul 87 | 920.0-920.0 | 920.0 |
| Oct 87 | — | 1000.0 |

Spot: 911.0
Vol.: 137 lots.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The focus of attention yesterday remained concentrated on the dollar/yen, with the yen soaring to new four-year highs, before falling again to close lower against the dollar.

The pound, meanwhile, weakened against most currencies, though it remained on the sidelines and dealers were unsure as to the real reason

Sterling ended a net 170 points lower against the dollar at 1.4195.

The effective index relinquished 0.7 on the previous close to 97.3.

Dealers said the main reason for the fall in sterling, apart from the latish spurt in the dollar, was worries about world oil prices, particularly since the Arab oil-producing states were reported to be considering linking the oil price to a basket of currencies instead of to the dollar.

### STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

| | Market rates day's range November 7 | Market rates close November 7 | 1 month | 3 months |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | $1.4185-1.4358 | $1.4185-1.4205 | 0.42 – 0.40 c prem | 1.24 – 1.21 c prem |
| Montreal | $1.9490-1.9703 | $1.9490-1.9532 | 0.52 – 0.48 c prem | 1.46 – 1.33 c prem |
| Amsterdam | 4.1866-4.2126fl | 4.1875-4.1976fl | 2⅛ – 1⅞ c prem | 5⅞ – 5½ c prem |
| Brussels | 74.81-75.83f | 75.11-75.26f | 22 – 16 c prem | 59 – 50 c prem |
| Copenhagen | 13.4054-13.4851k | 13.4280-13.4611k | 3¼ – 2 ore prem | 8⅝ – 7½ ore prem |
| Dublin | 1.1962-1.2048p | 1.2012-1.2022p | 29 – 9 p prem | 56 – 25 p prem |
| Frankfurt | 3.6957-3.7255m | 3.7149-3.7223m | 2⅛ – 2 pf prem | 6⅝ – 6 pf prem |
| Lisbon | 226.46-233.94e | 228.46-231.62e | 145 – 405 e disc | 515 – 1315 e disc |
| Madrid | 227.79-229.50p | 228.32-228.78p | 10 – 65 p disc | 115 – 240 p disc |
| Milan | 2496.20-2515.56lr | 2506.31-2514.10lr | 2 – 6 lr disc | 6 – 15 lr disc |
| Oslo | 11.1462-11.2190k | 11.1462-11.1762k | ⅛ – 1⅛ ore disc | 2 – 3 ore disc |
| Paris | 11.2880-11.3510f | 11.3151-11.3453f | 2⅝ – 2 c prem | 6¼ – 5¾ c prem |
| Stockholm | 11.1328-11.2181k | 11.1470-11.1789k | 2⅛ – 2⅞ ore disc | 5⅜ – 6½ ore prem |
| Tokyo | 289.64-292.32y | 291.36-292.05y | 1⅛ – ⅞ y prem | 2⅞ – 2⅝ y prem |
| Vienna | 26.01-26.19sch | 26.11-26.16sch | 13⅝ – 12 gro prem | 38⅞ – ¾ gro prem |
| Zurich | 3.0417-3.0626f | 3.0554-3.0619f | 2¼ – 2 c prem | 6⅞ – 5½ c prem |

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down 0.7 at 79.3 (day's range 79.7-79.3).

### OTHER STERLING RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina austral | 1.1370–1.391 |
| Australia dollar | 2.1278–2.1341 |
| Bahrain dinar | 0.5360–0.5400 |
| Brazil cruzeiro | 12322.00–12392.00 |
| Cyprus pound | 0.7925–0.8025 |
| Finland marka | 7.9265–7.9665 |
| Greece Drachma | 216.75–218.75 |
| Hongkong dollar | 11.0440–11.0830 |
| India rupee | 17.08–17.28 |
| Iraq dinar | n.a. |
| Kuwait dinar (KD) | 0.4155–0.4195 |
| Malaysia dollar | 3.4271–3.4349 |
| Mexico peso | n.a. |
| New Zealand dollar | 2.4105–2.4223 |
| Saudi Arabia riyal | 5.1920–5.2320 |
| Singapore dollar | 2.9785–2.9857 |
| South Africa rand | 3.6848–3.7095 |
| United Arab Emirates dirham | 5.2235–5.2635 |

### DOLLAR SPOT RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Ireland | 1.1880 – 1.1895 |
| Singapore | 2.1050 – 2.1070 |
| Malaysia | 2.4220 – 2.4240 |
| Australia | 0.6640 – 0.6650 |
| Canada | 1.3740 – 1.3750 |
| Sweden | 7.8425 – 7.8475 |
| Norway | 7.8475 – 7.8525 |
| Denmark | 9.4625 – 9.4675 |
| West Germany | 2.6230 – 2.6245 |
| Switzerland | 2.1540 – 2.1560 |
| Netherlands | 2.9500 – 2.9520 |
| France | 7.9700 – 7.9800 |
| Japan | 206.00 – 230.00 |
| Italy | 1763.0 – 1765.0 |
| Belgium(Comm) | 52.82 – 52.85 |
| Hong Kong | 7.8050 – 7.8079 |
| Portugal | 161.0 – 162.5 |
| Spain | 160.25 – 160.50 |
| Austria | 18.30 – 18.34 |

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

## LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

| Three Month Sterling | Open | High | Low | Close | Est Vol |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dec 85 | 88.51 | 88.52 | 88.46 | 88.46 | 1008 |
| Mar 86 | 89.02 | 89.03 | 88.96 | 88.96 | 464 |
| Jun 86 | 89.35 | 89.37 | 89.31 | 89.30 | 101 |
| Sep 86 | 89.44 | 89.45 | 89.40 | 89.36 | 17 |
| Previous day's total open interest 6823 | | | | | |
| **Three Month Eurodollar** | | | | | |
| Dec 85 | 92.03 | 92.07 | 91.97 | 91.97 | 4496 |
| Mar 86 | 91.85 | 91.92 | 91.79 | 91.80 | 2414 |
| Jun 86 | 91.58 | 91.67 | 91.53 | 91.53 | 733 |
| Sep 86 | 91.24 | 91.36 | 91.24 | 91.20 | 183 |
| Previous day's total open interest 21057 | | | | | |
| **US Treasury Bond** | | | | | |
| Dec 85 | 79-06 | 79-22 | 78-27 | 78-28 | 7721 |
| Mar 86 | 78-08 | 78-11 | 77-21 | 77-19 | 43 |
| Jun 86 | NT | | | 76-15 | 0 |
| Previous day's total open interest 4068 | | | | | |
| **Short Gilt** | | | | | |
| Dec 85 | 97-47 | 97-50 | 97-40 | 97-41 | 765 |
| Mar 86 | NT | | | 97-54 | 0 |
| Jun 86 | NT | | | | 0 |
| Previous day's total open interest 1723 | | | | | |
| **Long Gilt** | | | | | |
| Dec 85 | 112-10 | 112-15 | 111-24 | 111-28 | 4969 |
| Mar 86 | 112-12 | 112-12 | 112-12 | 111-30 | 5 |
| Jun 86 | NT | | | | 0 |
| Sep 86 | NT | | | 110-30 | 0 |
| Previous day's total open interest 5653 | | | | | |
| **FT-SE 100** | | | | | |
| Dec 85 | 140.00 | 140.00 | 139.00 | 139.00 | 364 |
| Mar 86 | 141.00 | 141.40 | 141.00 | 140.90 | 12 |
| Previous day's total open interest 1967 | | | | | |

## MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

The markets on the whole spent a quiet day, although activity picked up towards the close as the pound slumped on the foreign exchanges. Period rates, which had eased by ¹⁄₁₆ or even⅛ at the longer end earlier, firmed up again to close level with Wednesday.

The overnight rate sat at 11⅝-½ per cent for the morning session and rose to 11¾-⅝ per cent during lunch.

**Base Rates %**
Clearing Banks 11½
Finance House 12

**Discount Market Loans%**
Overnight: High 11⅝ Low 11½
Week fixed: 11½

**Treasury Bills (Discount %)**

| Buying | | Selling | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 months | 11¼ | 2 months | 11⅛ |
| 3 months | 11⁵⁄₃₂ | 3 months | 11³⁄₃₂ |

**Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 11¹¹⁄₃₂–11⁵⁄₁₆ | 2 months | 11¼–11³⁄₁₆ |
| 3 months | 11⁵⁄₁₆–11⁹⁄₃₂ | 6 months | 10²⁹⁄₃₂–10²⁷⁄₃₂ |

**Trade Bills (Discount %)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 11³¹⁄₃₂ | 2 months | 11⅞ |
| 3 months | 11¹³⁄₁₆ | 6 months | 11⁵⁄₃₂ |

**Interbank (%)**
Overnight: open 11¹¹⁄₁₆–11⁹⁄₁₆ close 14

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 week | 11¹¹⁄₁₆–11⁹⁄₁₆ | 6 months | 11⅝–11⁹⁄₁₆ |
| 1 month | 11¹¹⁄₁₆–11⁹⁄₁₆ | 9 months | 11⁷⁄₁₆–11⅜ |
| 3 months | 11²¹⁄₃₂–11¹⁹⁄₃₂ | 12 months | 11⁷⁄₁₆–11⁵⁄₁₆ |

**Local Authority Deposits (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 days | 11⅝ | 7 days | 11⅝ |
| 1 month | 11⁷⁄₁₆ | 3 months | 11½ |
| 6 months | 11⅛ | 12 months | 11 |

**Local Authority Bonds (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 12¼–12 | 2 months | 12⅛–11⅞ |
| 3 months | 12–11¾ | 6 months | 11⅞–11⅝ |
| 9 months | 11¾–11½ | 12 months | 11⅝–11⅜ |

**Sterling CDs (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 11⅝–11⁹⁄₁₆ | 3 months | 11⁹⁄₁₆–11⁷⁄₁₆ |
| 6 months | 11⅜–11¼ | 12 months | 11³⁄₁₆–11¹⁄₁₆ |

**Dollar CDs (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 7.95–7.85 | 3 months | 7.95–7.85 |
| 6 months | 8.00–7.90 | 12 months | 8.20–8.10 |

### EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Dollar** | | call | 8⅜–7⅜ |
| 7 days | 8⅛–7⅞ | 1 month | 8⅛–8 |
| 3 months | 8⅛–8 | 6 months | 8³⁄₁₆–8¹⁄₁₆ |
| **Deutschmark** | | call | 5 – 4 |
| 7 days | 4½–4⅜ | 1 month | 4⅝–4½ |
| 3 months | 4¹³⁄₁₆–4¹¹⁄₁₆ | 6 months | 4¹³⁄₁₆–4¹¹⁄₁₆ |
| **French Franc** | | call | 9½–8½ |
| 7 days | 9⁵⁄₁₆–9¹⁄₁₆ | 1 month | 9⅝–9⅛ |
| 3 months | 9⁹⁄₁₆–9⁷⁄₁₆ | 6 months | 10½–10⅜ |
| **Swiss Franc** | | call | 1½–½ |
| 7 days | 1¾–1½ | 1 month | 3½–3⅜ |
| 3 months | 4¼–4⅛ | 6 months | 4⅜–4¼ |
| **Yen** | | call | 7–6 |
| 7 days | 7½–7¼ | 1 month | 7⁹⁄₁₆–7⁷⁄₁₆ |
| 3 months | 7⅞–7¾ | 6 months | 7⅝–7¼ |

### GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin):
$324.50-326.00 (£228.25-229.50)
Sovereigns* (new):
$78.00-79.00 (£54.75-55.50)
*Excludes VAT

### ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period 2 October, 1985 to 5 November, 1985, inclusive: 11.606 per cent.

## INVESTMENT TRUSTS

| 1985 High | 1985 Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 101 | 87 | Alisa | 97 | .. | 2.6 | 2.6 | .. |
| 695 | 580 | Alliance | 650 | .. | 26.1a | 4.0 | .. |
| 155 | 118 | Amer Trust | 128 | .. | 4.3 | 3.4 | .. |
| 302 | 245 | Ang Amer Sec | 282 | +1 | 8.1 | 2.9 | .. |
| 145 | 123 | Ashdown | 137 | +1 | 4.2b | 3.1 | .. |
| 120 | 88 | Atlantic Assets | 107 | +1 | 0.8 | 0.7 | .. |
| 102 | 83 | Bankers | 98 ● | +1 | 3.5b | 3.6 | .. |
| 194 | 162 | Berry | 168 | .. | 1.5 | 0.9 | .. |
| 176 | 132 | Border & Sthrn | 175 ● | .. | 5.1 | 2.9 | .. |
| 218 | 199 | Br Assets | 214 | .. | 10.9b | 5.1 | .. |
| 32 | 25 | Br Empire Sec | 32 | +½ | 1.3 | 4.0 | .. |
| 374 | 312 | British Inv | 374 | +2 | 20.3 | 5.4 | .. |
| 82 | 64 | Brunner | 82 | +1 | 3.1b | 3.8 | .. |
| 89 | 72 | Charter Agency | 85 | .. | 3.2b | 3.8 | .. |
| 665 | 525 | Continental | 645 | .. | 28.6 | 4.4 | .. |
| 178 | 119 | Crescent Japan | 149 | +5 | 1.1 | 0.8 | .. |
| 485 | 365 | Delta | 390 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 112 | 97 | Derby Inc | 112 | .. | 10.9 | 9.7 | .. |
| 115 | 95 | Do Cap | 115 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 330 | 284 | Drayton Cons | 328 | +1 | 13.4b | 4.1 | .. |
| 148 | 112 | Drayton Far East | 137 | +4 | 1.5 | 1.1 | .. |
| 424 | 348 | Drayton Japan | 424 | +6 | 3.5e | 0.8 | .. |
| 518 | 369 | Drayton Premier | 514 | +1 | 20.7b | 4.0 | .. |
| 186 | 160 | Dundee Lon | 186 | +1 | 7.4b | 4.0 | .. |
| 118 | 89 | Edin Amer Asset | 99 | .. | 0.8 | 0.8 | .. |
| 117½ | 103 | Edinburgh | 117½ ● | +½ | 4.6b | 3.9 | .. |
| 292 | 254 | Electric Gen | 292 | +4 | 5.1 | 1.8 | .. |
| 136 | 114 | English Int | 135 | .. | 6.0 | 3.7 | .. |
| 79 | 65 | English Scot | 77 | .. | 1.9 | 2.4 | .. |
| 110 | 91 | English NY | 109 | –1 | 3.6 | 3.3 | .. |
| 97 | 76 | F & C Alliance | 87 | +1 | 2.4 | 2.8 | .. |
| 186 | 122 | F&C Pacific | 147 | +8 | 1.8b | 1.2 | .. |
| 232 | 189 | Family | 223 ● | +1 | 11.3b | 4.9 | .. |
| 283 | 242 | First Scot Amer | 282 | .. | 12.9b | 4.6 | .. |
| 185 | 80 | First Un Gen | 80 | .. | 8.7 | 10.9 | .. |
| 590 | 415 | Fleming American | 470 | +2 | 7.5 | 1.6 | .. |
| 290 | 285 | Fleming Claver | 290 | .. | 12.8 | 4.4 | .. |
| 286 | 233 | Fleming Enterprise | 285 | +1 | 12.1 | 4.2 | .. |
| 108 | 76 | Fleming Far East | 84½ | +2½ | 1.4 | 1.7 | .. |
| 113 | 100 | Fleming Fledgling | 109 | +2 | 3.6 | 3.3 | .. |
| 580 | 405 | Fleming Japan | 458 ● | +10 | 6.7 | 1.3 | .. |
| 128 | 105 | Fleming Mercantile | 128 | +1 | 4.3 | 3.4 | .. |
| 134 | 100 | Fleming Overseas | 111 | –1 | 3.9 | 3.5 | .. |
| 163 | 120 | Fleming Tech | 141 | +3 | 3.3 | 2.3 | .. |
| 334 | 268 | Fleming Universal | 300 ● | .. | 7.1 | 2.4 | .. |
| 74 | 59 | For Col | 68 | +½ | 2.0b | 2.9 | .. |
| 121 | 92 | GBC Capital | 93 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 165 | 115 | GT Japan | 130 | +1 | 2.0 | 1.5 | .. |
| 135 | 97 | General Funds | 134 | .. | 2.7 | 2.0 | .. |
| 273 | 230 | General Cons | 273 | +3 | 14.3b | 5.2 | .. |
| 125 | 103½ | Glasgow Stock | 123 | .. | 2.9b | 2.4 | .. |
| 307 | 251 | Globe | 305 | –1 | 14.5 | 4.7 | .. |

| 1985 High | 1985 Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 284 | 202 | Greenfriar | 284 | +2 | 2.5 | 0.9 | .. |
| 275 | 220 | Gresham House | 265 | .. | 6.3 | 2.4 | .. |
| 184 | 138 | Hambros | 184 | .. | 6.8 | 3.7 | .. |
| 266 | 228 | Hill (P) | 265 ● | .. | 13.8 | 5.2 | .. |
| 540 | 448 | Invest-in Success | 525 | +7 | 7.6 | 1.5 | .. |
| 245 | 208 | Inv Cap | 244 | .. | 5.2b | 2.1 | .. |
| 62 | 45½ | Japan Assets | 47 | +½ | 0.1 | 0.1 | .. |
| 161½ | 127 | Lake View | 153 ● | +2 | 3.3 | 2.2 | .. |
| 191 | 162 | Law Debenture | 184 | .. | 8.6b | 4.7 | .. |
| 88 | 66 | Lon Merchant Sec | 82 | .. | 3.1 | 3.8 | .. |
| 88 | 68 | Lon Trust | 74 | .. | 6.1 | 8.2 | .. |
| 104 | 86 | Merchants | 103 | –1 | 5.4b | 5.2 | .. |
| 174 | 133 | Monks | 152 | +1 | 3.4b | 2.3 | .. |
| 131 | 105 | Murray Income | 131 ● | +1 | 7.7 | 5.9 | .. |
| 117 | 85 | Murray Growth | 115 | .. | 1.9 | 1.7 | .. |
| 138 | 112 | Murray Intl | 108 | +2 | 4.9 | 4.7 | .. |
| 207 | 163 | Murray Small | 207 | +4 | 2.7 | 1.3 | .. |
| 307 | 288 | Murray Venture | 307 ● | +1 | 7.7 | 2.5 | .. |
| 393 | 354 | New Court | 393 | +6 | 20.6 | 5.2 | .. |
| 77 | 61 | New Darien Oil | 67 | .. | 0.5 | 0.7 | .. |
| 178 | 153 | 1928 | 169 | +1 | 6.6 | 3.9 | .. |
| 50 | 37 | Nwthrog Inc 83 | 50 | .. | 4.2 | 8.4 | .. |
| 248 | 157 | New Tokyo | 186 | +2 | 1.3 | 0.7 | .. |
| 324 | 246 | Nth Atlantic Sec | 288 | .. | 4.9 | 1.7 | .. |
| 123 | 75 | Nth Sea Assets | 75 | .. | 6.7 | 8.9 | .. |
| 283 | 227 | Nthn Amer | 280 | .. | 8.4 | 3.0 | .. |
| 146 | 126 | Outwich | 146 | +1 | 4.2 | 2.9 | .. |
| 101 | 75 | Pacific Assets | 75 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 49 | 33 | Do Wrnts | 34 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 46 | 32 | Personal Assets | 41 | .. | 0.3 | 0.7 | .. |
| 343 | 282 | Raeburn | 343 | +5 | 14.0 | 4.1 | .. |
| 144 | 125 | River & Merc | 144 | .. | 9.4 | 6.5 | .. |
| 235 | 193 | River Plate | 234 | +1 | 10.6 | 4.5 | .. |
| 192 | 168 | Robeco | 184 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 171 | 150 | Rolinco | 165 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 273 | 228 | Romney | 273 | +5 | 6.8 | 2.5 | .. |
| 11⅛ | 10 | Rorento | £11⅛ | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 115 | 98 | St Andrews | 115 | .. | 4.0 | 3.5 | .. |
| 295 | 235 | Scottish | 294 | –1 | 7.9 | 2.7 | .. |
| 275 | 211 | Scot American | 275 | +2 | 8.3 | 3.0 | .. |
| 90½ | 73 | Scot Eastern | 90½ | +½ | 2.9 | 3.2 | .. |
| 408 | 345 | Scot Mtge | 369 ● | +2 | 9.6 | 2.6 | .. |
| 244 | 204 | Scot Nat | 244 | +1 | 6.9 | 2.8 | .. |
| 388 | 354½ | Scot Merc 'A' | 380 | +4 | 20.2 | 5.3 | .. |
| 598 | 500 | Secnd Alliance | 557 | +3 | 23.3 | 4.2 | .. |
| 137 | 108 | Sec Of Scotland | 137 ● | +2 | 5.3 | 3.9 | .. |
| 78 | 61 | Smaller Cps | 69 | .. | 1.7 | 2.5 | .. |
| 38½ | 32 | Stewart Enterp | 38½ | .. | 0.6 | 1.5 | .. |
| 148 | 110 | Stockholders | 122 | +1 | 3.5 | 2.9 | .. |
| 100 | 76 | Tr Australia | 88 | .. | 1.3 | 1.5 | .. |
| 102 | 76 | Tr City Of Lon Dfd | 102 | .. | 5.6 | 5.5 | .. |

| 1985 High | 1985 Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 180 | 137 | Tr Ind & Gen | 160 | +½ | 5.4b | 3.4 | .. |
| 235 | 205 | Tr Natural Res | 211 | –2 | 10.7 | 5.1 | .. |
| 111 | 79 | Tr North America | 88 | +1 | 2.6 | 3.0 | .. |
| 145½ | 111 | Tr Pacific Basin | 128 | +1 | 1.4b | 1.1 | .. |
| 151 | 129 | Tr Property | 148 | .. | 5.1 | 3.4 | .. |
| 101 | 79 | Tr Tech | 88½ | –½ | 2.5 | 2.8 | .. |
| 180 | 124 | Tr Trustees | 150 | .. | 5.4b | 3.5 | .. |
| 148 | 111 | Temple Bar | 141 | –3 | 7.1b | 5.1 | .. |
| 259 | 211 | Throgmorton | 259 | +1 | 10.7b | 4.1 | .. |
| 315 | 248 | Throg Secured Cap | 315 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 167 | 137 | Trans Oceanic | 151 | +1 | 4.9b | 3.2 | .. |
| 120 | 103 | Tribune | 114 | +½ | 3.3 | 2.9 | .. |
| 82½ | 74 | Triplevest Inc | 77 | +½ | 14.7 | 19.1 | .. |
| 220 | 188 | US Debenture | 220 | +1 | 9.3b | 4.2 | .. |
| 82 | 62 | Viking Resource | 64 | –½ | 1.7 | 2.7 | .. |
| 89 | 61 | Westpool | 82 ● | .. | 2.2 | 2.8 | .. |
| 110 | 84 | Winterbottm Energy | 99 | +1 | 1.0b | 1.1 | .. |
| 165½ | 139 | Witan | 163½ | +½ | 3.9 | 2.4 | .. |
| 285 | 259 | Yeoman | 285 | +2 | 12.9b | 4.5 | .. |

### FINANCIAL TRUSTS

| 1985 High | 1985 Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 510 | 260 | Akroyd & Smithers | 510 | +15 | .. | .. | 19.5 |
| 57½ | 28¾ | American Express | £52⁹⁄₁₆ ● | +1⅛ | .. | .. | .. |
| 43 | 18 | Argyle | 35½ | .. | .. | .. | 18.1 |
| 95 | 52 | Boustead | 82 | +1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 155 | 88 | Britannia Arrow | 146 ● | –1 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 22.8 |
| 15¼ | 8⁹⁄₁₆ | Daily Mail | £15⅛ | .. | 60.0 | 4.0 | 16.2 |
| 14½ | 8½ | Do 'A' | £14⅝ | .. | 60.0 | 4.1 | 15.7 |
| 141½ | 113 | Electra | 140½ | –1 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 35.8 |
| 101 | 73 | Eng Assoc | 94 ● | .. | 3.9 | 4.1 | 13.9 |
| 242 | 175 | Exco | 227 ● | –2 | 4.5 | 2.0 | 18.3 |
| 95 | 60 | Exploration | 88 | .. | 3.8 | 4.4 | 12.1 |
| 425½ | 350 | Framlington | 395 | .. | 7.1 | 1.8 | 18.4 |
| 98 | 58 | Frost Gp | 86 | –2 | .. | .. | .. |
| 105 | 44 | Goode (D & M) | 98 | .. | 1.8 | 1.8 | 16.7 |
| 960 | 678 | Henderson Admin | 960 | +30 | 22.9 | 2.4 | 13.8 |
| 675 | 368 | M & G | 650 | .. | 19.3 | 2.3 | 33.6 |
| 369 | 217 | Mercantile House | 297 | +10 | 18.8 | 6.3 | 8.8 |
| 405 | 300 | Mills & Allen | 355 ● | +5 | 22.9 | 6.4 | 9.3 |
| 113 | 75 | Pacific Inv Tst | 78 | –1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 41 | 20 | Do Warrants | 22 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 127 | 93 | Smith Brothers | 121 | .. | 5.5 | 4.5 | 22.2 |

## THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

Because of a computer breakdown some unit trust closing prices were not received. The previous day's close is given in these cases.

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**<br>80, Holdenhurst Rd. Bournemouth BH8 8AL<br>0345 717373 (Linkline) | | | | |
| Gilt & Fixed | 112.3 | 118.8 | –0.1 | 10.10 |
| High Inc Equity | 77.1 | 82.0● | .. | 6.04 |
| Worldwide Bond | 155.5 | 165.4● | +2.0 | 5.86 |
| American Growth | 128.4 | 136.5 | +0.7 | 2.83 |
| Asian Pacific | 47.0 | 50.8 | +0.4 | 2.48 |
| Assets & Earns | 81.3 | 86.9● | .. | 2.85 |
| Capital Reserve | 60.4 | 63.7 | .. | .. |
| Comm & Energy | 65.5 | 70.4 | –0.3 | 1.86 |
| European Capital | 59.0 | 62.7 | +0.8 | 2.39 |
| General | 120.3 | 128.7 | .. | 3.30 |
| Japan | 156.5 | 168.2● | +2.0 | .. |
| UK Growth Inc | 75.8 | 81.5● | .. | 1.89 |
| Do Accum | 108.5 | 116.7● | .. | .. |
| US Emerging Co's | 49.7 | 53.7● | +0.5 | 0.48 |
| Equitas Progress | 168.8 | 180.5● | .. | 3.56 |
| **AITKEN HUME FUNDS MANAGEMENT**<br>30, City Road, London EC1Y 2AY<br>01-638 6011 | | | | |
| American Tech | 96.0 | 102.7 | .. | 0.10 |
| Pacific | 116.8 | 124.9 | +0.9 | 0.88 |
| Sec Income Fnd | 147.6 | 157.9● | –1.1 | 6.84 |
| Special Situations | 167.0 | 178.7● | –1.4 | 1.56 |
| Energy & Res | 27.0 | 28.9 | –0.4 | 0.10 |
| American Majors | 57.0 | 61.1 | +0.2 | 2.50 |
| Small Co's | 31.5 | 33.7 | –0.3 | 1.87 |
| Japan Technology | 61.0 | 65.2 | +0.4 | 0.10 |
| International Income | 50.4 | 53.9● | –0.2 | 7.00 |
| Exempt | 439.9 | 470.8● | .. | 2.36 |
| **ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS**<br>Allied Dunbar Hse, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex<br>0277 211459 & 0277 229123 | | | | |
| First Trust | 192.7 | 205.2 | .. | 3.46 |
| Growth & Income | 112.2 | 119.5● | .. | 3.80 |
| Capital Trust | 199.0 | 211.9● | .. | 3.19 |
| Balanced | 307.2 | 327.2 | .. | 3.79 |
| Accum Trust | 467.8 | 498.0● | .. | 2.91 |
| American Income | 27.0 | 28.8 | .. | 4.83 |
| High Income Tst | 202.7 | 215.9 | .. | 5.28 |
| Equity Income | 111.9 | 119.2 | +0.5 | 5.58 |
| High Yield | 119.4 | 127.2● | .. | 6.39 |
| Govt Secs Trust | 28.1 | 29.3● | .. | 9.53 |
| International | 62.4 | 66.5 | .. | 1.85 |
| Japan Fund | 63.6 | 67.7 | .. | 0.01 |
| Pacific Trust | 118.2 | 125.9 | .. | 1.42 |
| Amer Spcl Sits | 56.4 | 60.1● | .. | 1.71 |
| Secs Of Amer Tst | 169.9 | 180.9 c | .. | 1.27 |
| Ald Asset Value | 187.6 | 200.0 | .. | 3.69 |
| Gilt Growth | 33.3 | 34.8● | .. | 3.25 |
| Smaller Co's | 102.5 | 109.2 | .. | 2.81 |
| 2nd Smaller Co's | 134.1 | 142.8 | .. | 2.84 |
| Recovery Trust | 65.3 | 69.5● | .. | 2.65 |

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Japan Income | 137.7 | 146.5 | +2.7 | 0.45 |
| Do Accum | 138.1 | 147.0 | +2.8 | 0.46 |
| N American Inc | 203.2 | 213.5 | +0.1 | 1.52 |
| Do Accum | 233.6 | 245.4 | +0.2 | 1.52 |
| Pacific Income | 89.9 | 94.6● | +1.3 | 0.92 |
| Do Accum | 101.0 | 106.3● | +1.5 | 0.92 |
| Smlr Co's Inc | 312.5 | 332.5 | +0.1 | 2.28 |
| Do Accum | 364.2 | 387.5 | +0.1 | 2.28 |
| **BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST**<br>74-78 Finsbury Pavement London EC2A 1JD<br>01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9<br>Viewpoint 01-675 6666 | | | | |
| Growth Gilt | 56.5 | 58.3 | .. | 8.96 |
| Intl Recovery | 89.8 | 95.6● | .. | 2.51 |
| Smaller Co's | 121.9 | 130.0 | .. | 1.41 |
| UK Growth | 32.1 | 34.2● | .. | 2.90 |
| Extra Inc | 54.8 | 58.5 | .. | 7.34 |
| Gilt | 25.8 | 27.2 | .. | 9.41 |
| Inc & Growth | 165.8 | 176.8● | .. | 4.65 |
| Nat High Inc | 160.8 | 171.5● | .. | 6.54 |
| Pref Shares | 17.7 | 18.9 c | .. | 10.57 |
| Commodity | 118.0 | 125.9● | .. | 3.65 |
| Financial Secs | 40.3 | 43.0 | .. | 2.30 |
| Gold & Gen | 16.0 | 17.3 | .. | 4.13 |
| Int Leisure | 12.7 | 13.5 | .. | 1.11 |
| Prop Shares | 48.9 | 52.2 | .. | 1.39 |
| Univ Energy | 49.0 | 52.3 | .. | 0.33 |
| World Tech | 36.5 | 38.9 | .. | 0.35 |
| Amer Growth | 83.4 | 89.0 | .. | 3.56 |
| Amer Income | 52.4 | 55.9● | .. | 6.40 |
| Amer Smaller Co's | 21.3 | 22.7 | .. | 2.00 |
| Aust Growth | 60.3 | 64.3● | .. | 2.05 |
| Euro Smaller | 10.9 | 11.6● | .. | 1.35 |
| Far East | 35.3 | 37.7 | .. | 1.83 |
| Hong Kong Prf | 25.3 | 27.0 | .. | 3.01 |
| Intl Growth | 28.3 | 30.2● | .. | 1.98 |
| Japan Perf | 36.4 | 38.8 | .. | .. |
| Japan Smaller | 9.5 | 10.1 | .. | .. |
| Exempt | 64.2 | 67.2● | .. | 4.06 |
| Exempt Market | 64.7 | 67.7 | .. | 4.14 |
| **BROWN SHIPLEY**<br>9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath<br>0444 458144 | | | | |
| BS Fund Income | 48.9 | 52.4 | –0.7 | 4.38 |
| Do Accum | 80.7 | 86.5 | –1.1 | .. |
| Financial | 108.9 | 115.6 | +0.1 | 2.74 |
| Growth Accum | 152.8 | 164.4● | –0.3 | .. |
| Do Income | 99.2 | 106.8● | –0.2 | 1.98 |
| High Income | 53.4 | 57.5 | –0.1 | 7.14 |
| Income | 61.1 | 65.7● | –0.4 | 6.00 |
| North American | 47.7 | 51.1 | +0.3 | 1.31 |
| Orient | 50.6 | 54.4● | +1.9 | 0.22 |
| Recovery | 29.5 | 31.8 c | .. | 3.31 |
| Technology | 111.3 | 119.7● | +0.5 | 0.75 |
| German | 24.5 | 26.4 | –0.5 | 2.00 |
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

# Record run for indices ends as investors hold back

### By Pam Spooner

Share prices shield away from more record-breaking yesterday as bad trading news from *Royal Dutch/Shell* and confirmation of worries about *Cable & Wireless* came through. The oil company badly disappointed investors with its thid quarter results, and the Royal Dutch share price dropped to 4360p at one stage before settling for a net loss of 90p at 4380p. Shell shares ended the day 13p down at 670p.

The news of halved profits - resulting from difficult trading and sizeable write-offs - should not have caught City men quite so unawares. Leading broking firms have been advising a switch out of Shell into British Petroleum in recent months.

**The placing of a 20 per cent stake in David Dixon with A & J Gelfer, of Glasgow, looks likely to lead to a closer association between the companies.**

**Mr Harry Turpin, chairman of Dixon, said: "We are having talks". He arranged the placing of the share stake, previously *owned by a Liechtenstein trust*. Dixon shares were up 3p at 218p for a two-day rise of 16p.**

Nevertheless, the BP share price could not escape the disappointment, and it slipped 3p to 560p in sympathy. Other oil shares were also knocked back a penny or two, though *Lasmo* went completely against the sector trend, especially in late trade. The Lasmo price was marked 8p higher at 248p as bid rumours began to circulate again.

BP is reconed to be ready to bid for Lasmo, and the City speculators were quick to take chunks of the stock for the next account. New-time buying began yesterday.

Another old takeover favourite in the oils was also on the move. *Ultramar* rose 6p to 206p.

Cable & Wireless confirmed that it will be looking for about £900 million of City cash next month and provided another knock to short-term investment in the Square Mile. The institutions were making sure they have enough money around to take up the £350 million C & W rights and £550 million Government share sale.

As a result, there was less cash being put into shares yesterday, and the FT 30 share index ended the day 7.8 points lower at 1073.5. The FT-SE 100 share index fell 10.2 points to 1384.8, disappointing those market men who expected to see it push through the 1400 level before the end of the account.

The C & W share price itself was happy to put the cash-call news behind it, and showed a 13p gain to 613p by the close.

Elsewhere among leading shares, **Burton Group** successfully saw 1.7 million of its shares placed as part of the John Collier acquisition. Though investors were not throwing their money around, they still looked happy to take up a good offer and the Burton price dipped just 2p to 576p as the vendor placing went through.

TI Group rose 6p to 379p as market men heard that W Greenwell, the broker, is telling clients to buy on "fundamentals". Though most traders on Throgmorton Street are still waiting for bid terms at TI from Evered Holdings, the broker is reckoned to like the engineering group for its recovery potential.

*Jaguar shares were motoring* again, up another 3p to 322p. Talk around town was that a bullish and extensive circular is about to be issued by analysts.

Some say the Jaguar price will be through the 360p level before Christmas. Given the previous peak of 363p, reached early this year, the suggestion could well come true after the recent good trading news and share buying from America.

**Reckitt & Colman**, the drugs and household products group, was marked 20p lower at 590p, though dealers reported that much of the loss was made in late trade on Wednesday. The shares have reacted to weakness in the Australian dollar, a currency in which 24 per cent of group earnings were made last year.

But W Greenwell, remains a supporter of the share, on the basis that the American businesses of Reckitt are doing well. In the City firm's view, the Australian dollar also appears to have touched bottom, and, in any case, the financial year end for the Australian subsidiaries *fell last month*, lessening the impact of currency movements.

Late trading in **Merury Securities** sent the share price heading towards 700p, a long way ahead of the 610p price seen at the beginning of the week.

Market men are hearing more and more about chances of a stake-building attempt on the finance group, although Paribas International, the French bank which is expected to sell on its 6.5 per cent holding, has yet to announce any change in its investment.

The City sees the sense in buying shares of a company which stands to be a big player in the new financial world which will follow next year's liberalization of the London Stock Exchange. **Akroyd & Smithers**, the stockjobber, which will become part of the Mercury corps ready for the big bang, is also benefiting from market enthusiasm. The shares gained another 15p to 510p as analysts continue to rate the shares as a cheap way into Mercury.

Merchant banks are favoured these days, and rises of between 5p and 15p were scored for **Brown Shipley, Hambros, Hill Samuel and Schroders** Other financial shares were also pennies brighter, although **Exco International** drifted 2p lower to 227p as hopes of a bid for the money broker faded for the time being.

**Horizon Travel made another 5p gain to 92p as the holidays group hauls itself away from the bottom end of its share price trading range. A lunch this week at the broker Williams de Broe Hill Chaplin confirmed to institutional investors that Horizon will be one of the survivors of the present price war and stands to make substantial long-term gains. Earlier this year the shares traded as high as 150p.**

**Saatchi & Saatchi Company** rose 20p to 765p on renewed investment support. The shares shrugged off news that J Walter Thompson, the US advertising agency, has pipped Saatchi to first place in the Media Expenditure Analysis Limited (Meal) tables.

**Davidson Pearce**, the advertising agency brought to market last month by the broker Wood Mackenzie and Hill Samuel, the merchant bank, rose 1p to 166p as it heard Meal now places DP seventh, against eighth, in the expenditure rankings. DP came to the lists at an offer price of 160p.

## Traded option highlights

**BAT Industries was still responding to renewed buying interest in the ordinary shares over the past few days and another 1,854 contracts were traded in BATs on the LTO. US buyers have suddenly returned to the shares, catching the London market short of stock and stimulating traded options.**

**A "hold" recommendation on BATs from Rowe & Pitman the broker was also reckoned to have helped. Total volume for the LTO yesterday reached 11,568, with only Courtaulds and the stock exchange index contract seeing sizeable business apart from BATs: 1,182 and 922 contracts respectively.**

## COMPANY NEWS

● **TURRIFF CORPORATION:** Technicare International, a subsidiary, is to purchase 60 per cent of Maris Offshore, with the option to purchase a further 24 per cent from 1989. The price of the shares will be based on future profits. Maris Offshore, based in Aberdeen, is a sub-sea consultant and specialist contractor.

● **VINTEN GROUP:** As a result of the success in the development phase of the Tornado video recorder programme, Vinten Avionic Systems has been awarded the follow-on production contract worth £2 million for the delivery of recorders starting in 1987.

● **FRAMLINGTON MANAGED PORTFOLIO:** Subscription lists for shares offered under the initial prospectus have closed and 5,088,555 shares have been allotted at the initial subscription price of 50p per share.

● **TUSKAR RESOURCES:** The company plans to participate directly in the drilling of at least three offshore exploration wells in the Celtic Sea during 1986, the chairman, Mr Neil O'Donoghue, says in the interim statement. It has obtained significant interests in five new exploration blocks, bringing its interest in the Celtic Sea to eight blocks.

● **EXTEL GROUP:** On behalf of its subsidiary, Burrups Printing, Extel has acquired Cripplegate Printing and Concise Print. This follows the purchase of their parent, Bridgemark (Holdings). Sevenoaks Print Finishers has also been purchased. The total price was £2.46 million.

● **ALFRED WALKER:** Talks are on which could lead to the acquisition of a private commercial property development company owned by Mr R. A. Scott, a Walker director. If the discussions are successful, shareholders will be asked to approve the transaction, which will involve the issue of Walker shares to Mr Scott.

● **RANK ORGANISATION:** Rank Marine International has acquired Troon Marina in Ayrshire, which comprises 340 berths and ancillary facilities and services. Rank plans to extend berthing, the addition of Troon will result in Rank Marine operating more than 1,650 coastal marine berths in 1986.

● **WOODCHESTER INVESTMENTS:** For the half-year to Sept 30, with figures in Irish £000, gross revenue was 3,052 (1,269), while the pretax profit was 710 (332). Earnings per share were 9.6p (4.7p, adjusted). An interim dividend of 1.5p (1.25p, adjusted) is being paid on Dec 31. The board intends to pay a second interim of 2.5p, making a total for the year of 4p, against 3.25p (adjusted) last time.

● **BRITISH-BORNEO PETROLEUM SYNDICATE:** For the half-year to Sept 30, with figures in £000, the pretax profit was 819 (902). An interim dividend of 6p (5p) is being paid.

● **ISLE OF MAN STEAM PACKET:** For the nine months to Sept 30, with figures in £000, turnover was 13,782 (11,148), while the pretax profit was 15 (671). Losses per share were 0.27p (profit, 0.24p) after extraordinary items.

● **NORMANS GROUP:** For the half-year to Sept 28, with figures in £000, turnover was 45,390 (38,455), while the pretax profit was 753 (1,060). Earnings per share were 1.60p (2.13p). An interim dividend of 0.9p (0.9p) is being paid on March 1.

● **SHIP MORTGAGE FINANCE:** For the half-year to June 30, with figures in £000, the pretax profit was 982 (1,603).

● **RENOLD:** For the half-year to Sept 30, with figures in millions of pounds, turnover was 60.3 (58.2), while the pretax profit was 2.5 (1.4). Earnings per share were 2.3p (1.5p). An interim dividend of 0.7p (nil) is being paid on Jan 31.

● **AMBER INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS:** For the half-year to Sept 30, with figures in £000, turnover was 4,166 (3,416), while the pretax profit was 481 (319). Earnings per share were 11p (6.25p). An interim dividend of 2.8p (2p) is being paid on Jan 7.

● **MCINERNEY PROPERTIES:** For the half-year to June 30, with figures in £000, turnover was 29,131 (33,664), while the pretax profit was 668 (1,019). An interim dividend of 1p (1p) is being paid on Dec 9.

● **WARNFORD INVESTMENTS:** For the half-year to June 24, with figures in £000, pretax revenue was 2,327 (2,029). Earnings per share were 14.58p (11.07p). An interim dividend of 7p (6.5p) is being paid on April 8.

● **CALEDONIA INVESTMENTS:** For the half-year to Sept 30, with figures in £000, turnover was 5,096 (4,516), while the pretax profit was 3,987 (3,188). Earnings per share were 2.73p (2.18p). An interim dividend of 2p (1.7p) is being paid on Jan 8.

● **TYZACK TURNER:** For the year to July 31, with figures in £000, turnover was 7,873 (6,917), while the pretax profit loss was 341 (315). A final dividend of 3p (2.4p) is being paid, making a total of 4p (2.4p).

● **W A HOLDINGS:** For the 28 weeks to Aug 18, with figures in £000, turnover was 4,094 (5,771), while the pretax loss was 7 (loss, 270). Earnings per share were 0.1p (loss, 2.6p).

● **SHILOH:** For the half-year to Oct 5, with figures in £000, turnover was 7,067 (6,688), while the pretax profit was 235 (117). An interim dividend of 1p (0.75p) is being paid.

## RECENT ISSUES

| | Closing Price |
|---|---|
| A M S Industries 5p Ord (95) | 108 |
| Colorgen Com Stk $0.01 (90a) | 108 |
| Cont Assets Tst 75p Ord Ptly Pd | 54 |
| C P M 5p Ord (125a) | 131+1 |
| Cowells 25p Ord (88a) | 92 |
| Davidson Pearce 10p Ord (160) | 166+1 |
| Ealing Electro-optics 5p Ord (95a) | 106+1 |
| Electronic Data Proc. 5p Ord (75a) | 73 |
| Fairbriar 10p Ord (120) | 104−2 |
| Gibbon Lyons 10p Ord (72a) | 68 |
| Hampden Homecare 10p Ord (57a) | 65 |
| InfraRed $0.10 Com Stk (94a) | 86+1 |
| Just Rubber 10p Ord (62a) | 56 |
| Kewill Systems 5p Ord (79a) | 81 |
| Metsec 10p Ord (67a) | 69 |
| Questel 10p Ord (180a) | 160−10 |
| Radius 5p Ord (95a) | 93−5 |
| St Ives Group 10p Ord (330*) | 465−3 |
| Shandwick 2p Ord (175) | 178 |
| Underwoods 10p Ord (180*) | 208−1 |
| **Rights issues** | |
| Fisher (Albert) (106) Nil Paid | 22 prem−1 |
| Garfunkels Rest (100) Nil Pd | 32 prem |

Issue price in parentheses, a Unlisted Securities, *by tender.

## APPOINTMENTS

Department of Transport: **Miss Jean Caines** will be head of the information division. She succeeds **Mr Michael Devereau** who becomes director of the Central Office of Information's visual media and radio group.

Cuthbert Heath: **Mr D. J. W. Coles** becomes chairman and chief executive, **Mr D. Hazlewood**, deputy chief executive, **Mr A. J. Avery, Mr H. A. Bristow, Mr J. R. Flisher** (non-executive) **Mr R. A. Lissenden, Mr J. W. Pryke**, and **Mr L T. S. Sturrock** join the board.

Honeywell Europe: **Mr Albert Kibbler** has been appointed vice-president of marketing.

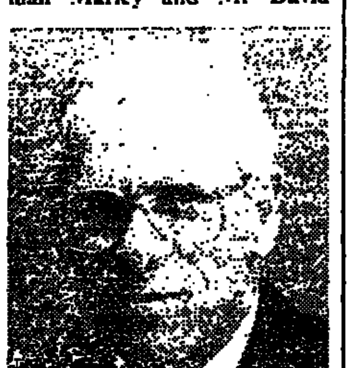
Agus Fine Chemicals: Mr **Kieran Brady** has been made process development director.

Richard Skipper

Arenson Group: **Mr John Sacks** becomes group deputy chairman, **Mr Colin Brown** will be operations director of Arenson International and **Mr Jeffrey Brown** has been named as sales and marketing director of Arenson International.

Donald Macpherson Group: **Mr Charles Wenham** has been appointed group chief executive.

Seabourne Group: **Mr Norman Marley** and **Mr David Morein** join the board. **Mr Donald Hayes** becomes company secretary.



Albert Kibbler

Norwich Brewery Company: **Mr David Gray** is now innkeeper director.

Critchley: **Mr Richard Skipper** has been named as technical director.

Derbyshire Building Society: **Mr Rex Stone** has joined the board.

TEMPUS

# An unsuitable CASE for creative accounting

The Case interim profit and loss account has been constructed with all the finesse of a bulldozer. The accounting is so creative that it probably merits a grant from the Arts Council.

It is rare for interim statements to receive a qualified audit report because they are unaudited. Case's interim statement is unaudited. Case, however, has managed to include the closest to the equivalent of an auditor's qualification that is possible without the auditors becoming *actively involved.*

The company's internal qualification is tucked away at the bottom of the notes on the interim profit and loss account. Referring to a taxation credit the group has recognized it says: "The recognition of this is dependent, inter alia, upon the results of the group's operations in the US for the second half of the year".

That tax credit reduced Case's after tax loss by £1.1 *million.* Not insignificant in the context of a group which has just announced pretax losses of £3.4 million down from a profit of £4.2 million for the half year.

The accountancy profession's inherent prudence would normally dictate that such tax credits would not be recognized until it was certain that they could be realized. The only way that the credit can be realized is by generating US profits against which to offset *the losses.*

Case, however, is not prepared to say that it will make US profits in the second half. Forecasts, after all, are just not on are they?

To supplement this assault on traditional accounting theory Case has also conveniently taken the credit for a £2 million profit on the sale of a US property above the line as an exceptional item. The company admits that the transaction was a "one off" which qualifies it for the category of extraordinary, which means that it should be disclosed below the line.

Through the treatment of these two items Case has managed to reduce its after tax loss by about £3 million.

The company is a victim of the uncertainties which plague Britain's accounting rules. Case says there is no intention to mislead or misrepresent and there is no reason to dispute this. The fact remains, though, that after tax losses could be the stated £2.2 million or the much larger £5.2 million.

Either way the underlying trading was very disappointing. The company's bold attempt to establish itself as a force to be reckoned with in the US ran into serious difficulties. Product shortages at a time when a costly marketing infrastructure was being established took its toll. Witness the huge increase in sales and marketing costs which, at £15 million, were only £2 million below that of the full year in 1984/85.

There is no doubt that Case's ultimate success or failure will be determined by the performance in the US. It is a classic example of high risks offering high potential rewards. The market recognizes this, the shares closed up 5p at 109p. This is a share for the brave with a long-term view. The faint-hearted should take the opportunity to sell.'

## SPP

SPP is joining the stock market one year earlier than planned. Only two years ago a group of institutions put up £11.5 million for a management buyout. Now SPP is coming to market with a price tag of £19.6 million.

This is a success story about which the management buyout fraternity can brag. Since the company left the Booker McConnell group in 1983 profits have grown from £1.12 million to £1.96 million last year and a forecast £2.6 million for 1985. The institutions have quintupled their money, although they are realizing only some of their investment as part of the float.

SPP's success owes much to the management's early decision to change emphasis from manufacturing to marketing. Now it makes only a small proportion of its pumps and relies on suppliers, including an Indian company, Kirloskar, which has a small stake in SPP. The company has focused on the fire, environmental and industrial markets. It sells a large range of fire fighting and water pumping equipment.

SPP shows buyout characteristics. Notably, it has become accustomed to operating with high borrowings. At the last year end these stood at 68 per cent of shareholders' funds, although after the float and property revaluating the gearing ratio will be only 28 per cent. That is unlikely to be sustained. The company hopes to make acquisitions and it has already seen a cash outflow this year. In the first six months alone this amounted to £1.4 million, and the company admits that more money has gone out in the second half.

SPP claims that the outflow is temporary but it seems to reflect a new reluctance among North Sea customers and others to provide progress payments. If so, it could herald a long-term increase in working capital.

This risk presumably explains the modest rating accorded to the company. At the offer price of 135p the shares are being sold on a multiple of 11 and a yield of 5.4 per cent. This may not bring in the stags but should ensure a reasonably good start to dealings.

## Cater Allen and King & Shaxson

Yesterday's results from Cater Allen and King & Shaxson went a long way to explaining the poor performance of both shares. Both companies have clearly had a difficult time, with the market expecting interest rate cuts that were not delivered.

After the Chancellor's Mansion House speech, neither house now hopes for a significant cut before the year is out

Cater Allen admitted to lower profits, but the smaller King & Shaxson indicated that it had at least held its own by describing its performance as "satisfactory."

Of these two discount houses, Cater Allen seems better prepared for the "big bang", though worries about competition among market makers could explain investors demand for a higher yield. At 463p its shares offer 8.9 per cent against King & Shaxson's yield of 7.9 per cent with the shares at 150p.

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Gilt edged trading has again contributed well to the Group profit.

Our Jersey bank has seen further substantial growth in its High Interest Cheque Account business.

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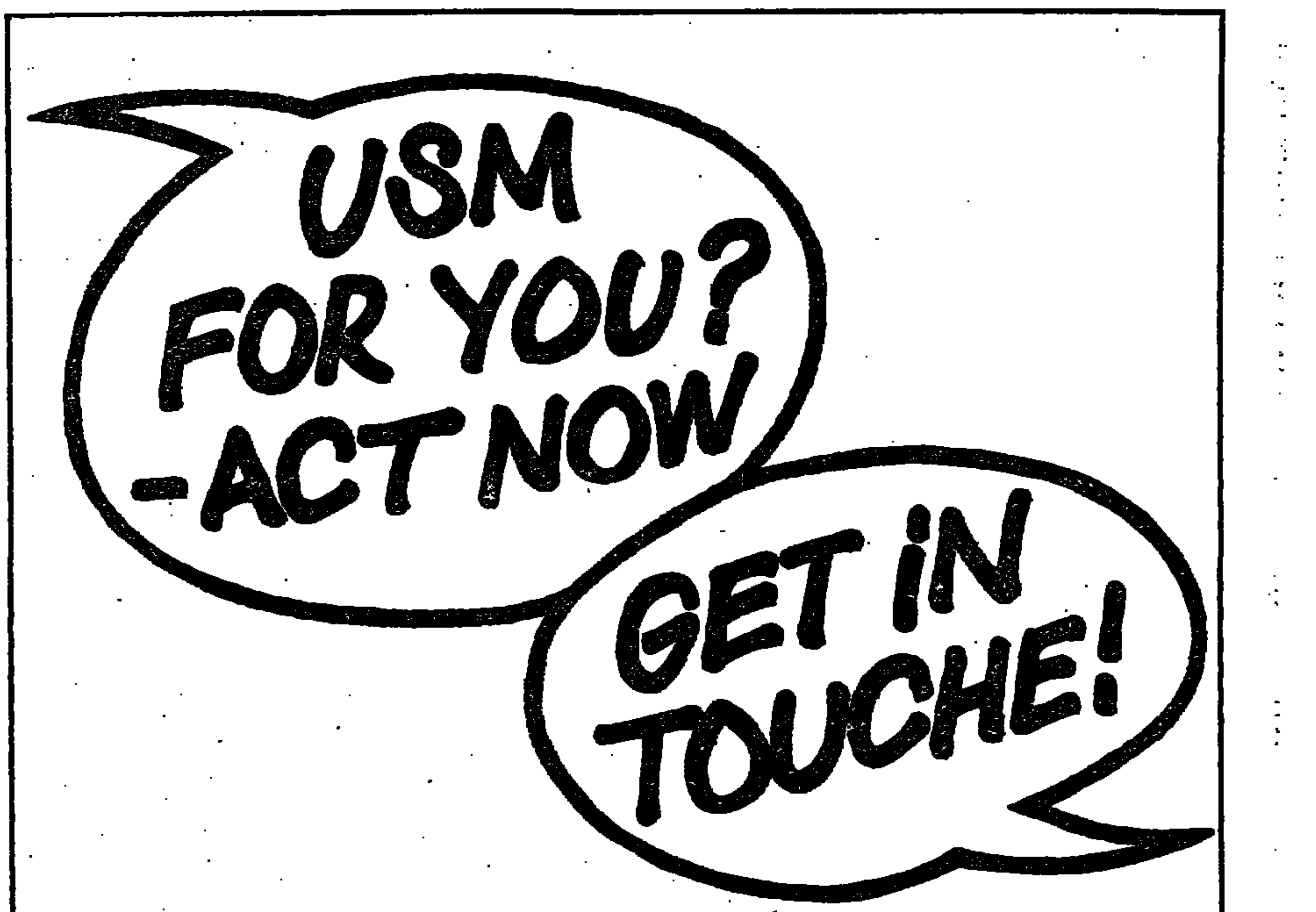

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YOUR OWN BUSINESS

# The profit tied to a label

### By Ian A. Jack

In the industrial North-East, where jobs still have an unpleasant habit of disappearing, John Farnell has seen his business grow throughout the recession.

Farnell began Newcastle upon Tyne-based Industrial Engravers seven years ago in a garage learning how to operate a machine he had bought for £70.

Last year his turnover was £140,000. Perhaps as important in the present job climate, the business provides work for himself, his wife and younger son as well as seven full-time staff and two part-timers.

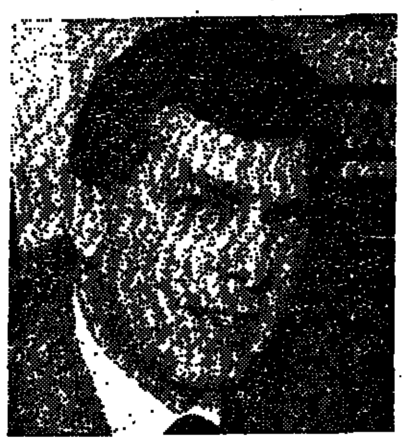
It has moved twice to bigger premises and a third move is likely.

Industrial Engravers specialises in plant and control panel identification labels – the Perspex or Traffolyte plates for machinery that give operating or maintenance instructions. Their labels are attached to equipment operating as far afield as Saudi Arabia and Bulgaria.

Farnell, now 47, began work as a mining electrician in the pits at 15. By the age of 30 he had been through two colliery closures. "I wasn't keen for it to happen a third time, so I left," he recalls.

He became service manager for a fruit machine company, then site manager, which introduced him to selling. Then he was a sales representative with two electrical instrument firms.

One day he noticed a bundle of equipment identification labels on a customer's desk and realised there was profit potential in them.



John Farnell: Started with £70

"So I bought this old machine for £70 and set it up in the garage," he said. "I didn't know how it worked and there were bits missing. But eventually I found out how to operate it and made my first label."

He kept it as a spare time occupation until he bought more equipment and realised it was under-utilised.

So at 40, with a wife and two schoolboy sons to support "I took the biggest decision of my life – to give up the company car, the telephone and the regular salary to go private full time".

At first he worked all day to find the orders and then laboured at night to meet them. By the time he moved into a small workshop he began taking on staff.

All along he drew on the substantial support of his wife, Mary, who is actively involved in the business from the family home in the market town of Hexham, where she handles the pricing, invoicing and payroll.

The sales graph is still shooting up as the company services 100 or so customers, most spread throughout the North-East. TI Machine Tools order control panel fronts and the client list also includes Sterling and Winthrop Laboratories in pharmaceuticals, Scottish and Newcastle Breweries and Kimberley-Clark, the tissue makers.

Industrial Engravers are also producing work for equipment which will go into the new Nissan car plant under construction at Sunderland.

"Our biggest problem is coping with the volume. We have so much business," says Farnell.

Younger son Michael, 23 and a Newcastle University graduate, is "on the road" bringing in fresh orders.

The Farnell recipe is simply "the right quality at the right price at the right time".

Now the company is ready to move into a disused cinema which Farnell has bought in Newburn and hopes that Tyne and Wear County Council will help conversion with a development grant.

The cinema will provide room for yet more expansion "and who knows, I might even get an office to myself", says Farnell.

● **Contact:** Industrial Engravers, 9 Station Road, Newburn, Newcastle upon Tyne NE15 8LS (Telephone: 091 267 5312).

# Countdown to red tape day

### By Teresa Poole

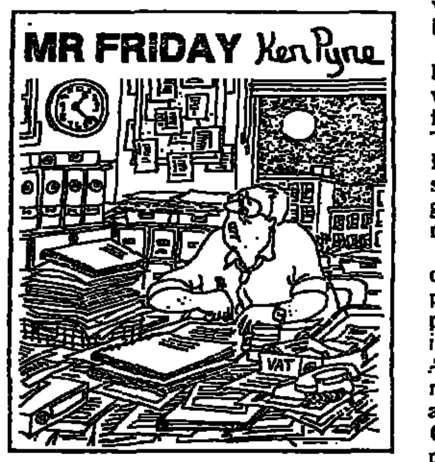
The bureaucratic nightmare for companies of registering under the Data Protection Act begins on Monday. They have exactly six months in which to submit to the Data Protection Registrar details of all personal information kept on computer, how it is obtained, and what it is used for. Companies who fail to register properly will face criminal charges and unlimited fines.

The registrar expects up to 600,000 computer systems to be registered. From November 11, 1987, any individual will have a right to inspect personal information and perhaps to seek compensation if it is inaccurate. The confusion about how the Act will work has sparked off a new line of business in the insurance world.

First off the mark is the specialist brokers, the Legal Protection Group, which is offering to visit firms and to fill in the registration forms for them. The group has offices in Glasgow, Halifax, Birmingham and Sutton. The service will cost £150-£250 but the group will help to update the registration documents at a later date.

On the insurance side, the group is offering a data protection insurance policy for upwards of £250 that will provide cover for legal fees involved in defending a prosecution under the Act, the cost of appealing against the registrar if he refuses registration, and any compensation awards.

● The Data Protection Registrar provides several free advisory booklets and has a telephone enquiry service, Wilmslow (0625) 535777; Legal Protection Group: 01-661 1491.



'It's that time when all those who tell me they envy my independence are in bed'

## BRIEFING

■ Broad Oak Enterprise Village, at Sittingbourne, Kent, was opened this week providing 14 offices and 11 workshops for small businesses. The village, which is wholly managed by Shell UK Limited, has so far cost £150,000 and a further £100,000 will be invested next year. All the existing places have already been taken up but up to 20 further units will become available next summer.

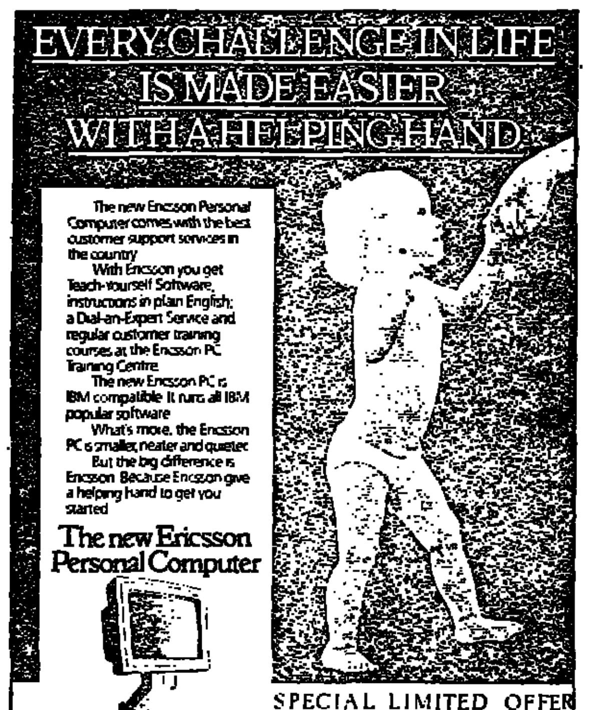
The village provides facilities for existing businesses as well as start-up ventures and has created more than 40 new jobs. The firms are offered short leases and rents of £2.50-£3.00 per square foot per annum. Contact: John Martin, Resident Manager, Broad Oak Enterprise Village, Broad Oak Road, Sittingbourne, Kent.

■ More than half the 1,090 small businesses consulted in the latest Small Business Research Trust's quarterly survey do not use a computer and see no need for one.

The resistance to new technology was found to be worst among small companies. Only one in 20 of those with up to four employees had a computer compared with 85 per cent of firms with more than 100 employees.

The survey also discovered that two thirds of firms had increased sales compared with the same quarter last year.

COMPUTERS



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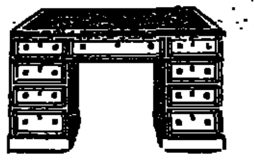

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# Shareholders pocket more of the money raised on USM

By Cliff Feltham

More of the money being raised by companies coming to the Unlisted Securities Market is going to existing shareholders and less to the business, according to a survey published by Spicer and Pegler, the accountants.

The survey, carried out to mark the fifth anniversary of the USM, and covering 105 companies, shows the market has been a success. Ninety per cent of companies say that the advantage of a listing outweighs the costs and disruption involved.

Spicer and Pegler estimates that £630 million has been raised by companies entering the market during the past five years. About 43 per cent of the money has gone to existing shareholders and 57 per cent towards the business.

Trends suggest that shareholders are keeping more of the cash raised. One explanation is that the USM is now attracting more mature companies without a desperate need for finance.

Spicer and Pegler commissioned a similar survey three years ago, carried out by the same researchers from Bristol Polytechnic.

Whereas companies had earlier stressed status and prestige as the main reason for seeking a listing, they now ranked raising further money and the opportunity to expand by acquisition as the more important advantages.

But while companies were generally happy with their decision to join the USM, the survey indicated dissatisfaction in some areas.

*More than 40 per cent of* companies thought that the total costs of the listing are significantly higher than their stockbrokers' estimates.

While the earlier survey found 59 per cent happy with the performance from their brokers, this had fallen to 34 per cent. There had also been a decline in satisfaction with other professional advisers such as bankers and solicitors.

More companies were also finding difficulty with the drafting of the prospectus and the reporting accountants' investigations.

Spicer and Pegler says: "This could be because both the Stock Exchange and sponsors are taking a much harder line now that the market is fully established."

There was also concern over the high rating of the shares of the USM – and the fears that this might impose unrealistic expectations on the companies. Three quarters of the companies approached also felt that USM prices could overreact in a bear market.

The survey indicates some tantalizing perceptions of the USM. Whereas more than half the companies examined found that the enhanced status and prestige of a listing was a main advantage, about 24 per cent felt that being in the public eye was a disadvantage, particularly disliking the constraints on directors' freedom of action.

Spicer and Pegler explains: "Exposure to comment by the press and other observers remains a source of unease. Undoubtedly this contributes to the directors' sense of being inhibited in their actions."

# Abbey bid backed by 38.7%

By Alison Eadie

French Kier's bid for Abbey, the Dublin housebuilder, received 38.7 per cent acceptances by the first closing date, it was announced yesterday. The offer and cash alternative have been extended until November 21.

French Kier had already received irrevocable acceptances for 36.4 per cent of Abbey's shares when it launched its £20 million bid last month.

The acceptances came from some members of the influential Gallagher family, but not from Mr Charles Gallagher, the chairman of Abbey, who controls 30 per cent of the equity. He has described French Kier's offer as totally inadequate and has the support of most of the board.

Trafalgur House, which owns 25.3 per cent of French Kier, is not keen on the bid.

# Top award for Virgin Group

The Virgin Group, one of Britain's top 15 private companies which has increased its profits fourfold in the last three years, was named yesterday as company of the year.

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# Leon Brittan dismisses claims by Lonrho

*Mr Leon Brittan, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, has told Sir Edward du Cann, chairman of Lonrho, that there is no evidence of "an undisclosed merger" behind the acquisition of House of Fraser by the Al-Fayed brothers in march this year; that the Director General of the Office of Fair Trading "is making no further inquiries; and that "the possibility of a reference (to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission) is not under consideration." The text of the Minister's letter is:*

I am sorry not to have been able to reply sooner to your letters of July 3 and August 1 to Norman Tebbit about the acquisition by the Al-Fayeds of House of Fraser. Your letter of August 1 contained a number of detailed assertions which the Director General has had to inquire into before advising me under S.76 of the Fair Trading Act as to whether I should take any action under the Act.

I deal first with the question of a reference of the acquisition of House of Fraser by the Al-Fayeds to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Norman Tebbit explained in March the reasons for the decision not to refer. I see little purpose in going over that ground again but I would say that no information has become available subsequent to the decision which puts any of the considerations which Norman Tebbit had in mind in deciding not to refer in a different light. You will of course appreciate that, except in the circumstances described in S.64(4) of the Fair Trading Act, my power to refer expires within six months of the creation of the merger situation.

The second question I have to consider is whether, as in effect you suggest, there is a separate, undisclosed merger situation because the Al-Fayeds are not the true beneficial owners of the House of Fraser. You imply in particular that the Al-Fayeds were acting on behalf of the Sultan of Brunei and in your letter of August 1 make a number of detailed assertions to support a claim that the Al-Fayeds used funds from the Sultan of Brunei for the purchase.

You have provided no evidence to support these assertions. Mr Rowland has claimed to the Director General of Fair Trading that he has evidence but, in response to a request of the Director General, has declined to make it available. Nevertheless, the Director General has inquired into the assertions. He has been given information which satisfies him that none of the assertions in your letter of August 1 as to transfers of funds is well-founded.

There has been no corroboration of the suggestions by you and Mr Rowland to the effect that there is an undisclosed merger situation. On the basis of all the information available (the source of which is not confined to the Al-Fayeds and their advisers) the Director General has advised me that there is no evidence of an undisclosed merger which he would draw to my attention under S.76 of the Fair Trading Act.

Under the Fair Trading Act it is of course open to the Secretary of State to make a reference within six months of the revelation of an undisclosed merger. If facts were to become available suggesting an undisclosed merger involving House of Fraser the Director General would be under a statutory duty to inquire into them.

I must make it clear, however, that at present the Director General is making no further inquiries and that the possibility of a reference is not under consideration. For the sake of completeness I should add that I see no grounds whatever for a Companies Act investigation.

One final point. Mr Rowland has publicly attacked the integrity of the Director General of Fair Trading. I would simply say that Sir Gordon Borrie enjoys my complete confidence.

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# Small tour operators urged to join forces

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

**Smaller tour operators, who are most at risk from the big holiday companies' price cuts, were urged yesterday to get together to counter the effects of the prices battle. Mr Jim Bashall, managing director of Sol Holidays, sent invitations to nearly 30 small and medium-sized tour operators to meet on November 20 to discuss common problems and what action to take. Sol is part of Arab Express, a group largely funded by Middle East money.**

**Among the options likely to be discussed are commission levels to travel agents, the possibility of a commonly funded advertising campaign and relationships with the retail agents.**

**Many agents are angry at the price reductions by the big tour operators because agents, who are on a fixed commission, are paid less when holidays are cheaper.**

**Mr Bashall said: "The big tour operators may have very good reasons, from their point of view, to be doing what they are doing but it is potentially disastrous. It is a situation which is good neither for the public potentially nor for the travel industry."**

**Sol will shortly be producing its brochures for next summer with a programme of up to 25,000 holidays.**

**It is likely to hold its prices at last season's levels but, by increasing the standard of hotels used, hopes to pitch its appeal above the level of the mass volume market largely being attracted by the big operators.**

**It is also likely to appeal to travel agents by continuing to offer 12.5 per cent commission compared with the usual 10 per cent.**

**Summer Holidays, a specialist in Greek holidays, is angling its appeal on value rather than price although Mr Keith Webber, its sales and marketing director, says prices will be competitive.**

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# Spend on infrastructure, CBI urges Chancellor

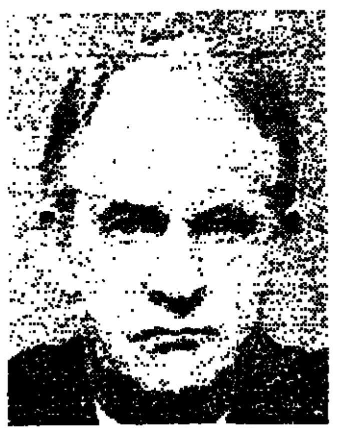
By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

Business leaders intensified their pressure on the Government today to improve its efficiency and use the money saved to revitalize the nation's infrastructure.

In a second weighty attempt to convince ministers of the wisdom of increasing spending on roads, railways and waterworks, the Confederation of British Industry said that industry's high production costs could be blamed partly on the inadequacy of the basic infrastructure and its deterioration.

After the Cabinet's decision to conduct a value-for-money study of the way public money is spent in the inner cities, the CBI said that derelict land was a growing problem, and called for a simplification of grant procedures and an increase in available funds.

The CBI's latest warnings on the infrastructure, which form a central part of its submissions to the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, on future public spending, are contained in the update to its lengthy Fabric of the Nation study.



Sir Terence Beckett: the time for decisions

Sir Terence Beckett, the CBI's director-general, said: "Decisions are required now. If we wait, we shall miss the opportunity to build on the current economic recovery and risk dropping back further in the league table of international competitiveness."

The report says that with the prospect of a slowdown in growth next year and continued problems with competitiveness, the outlook for jobs is gloomy.

"By spending extra money on infrastructure projects with a high rate of return, business costs would be significantly reduced."

The infrastructure argument, which has so far failed to convince the Government, is expected to be given additional support next week by the latest workload survey of the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors. This will point to an alarming decline in the number of new projects.

The CBI report calls for the £750 million gap between the Department of Transport's planned spending on roads and the level sought by the first Fabric of the Nation document to be bridged.

The report adds that business accepted the prime responsibility for improving competitiveness, but the Government "must make its contribution."

*Fabric of the Nation II, CBI Publications Sales, Centre Point, 103 New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1DU (£3).*

# High costs depress Shell result

By Ian Griffiths

Higher-than-expected write-off costs at Royal Dutch Shell Group took the stock market by surprise as the company turned in third-quarter figures below most market expectations.

The City expected a disappointing perfomance but not quite the drop in net income from £790 million to £553 million, on a current cost basis.

The results were depressed by charges of £200 million for restructuring and rationalization, which included the termination of operations in Curaçao, in the Lesser Antilles, more reductions in the marine fleet and the writedown of some US coal assets.

The group also incurred exchange losses of £140 million in the third quarter comparedd with gains of £31 million a year ago.

However, there was encouragement from the strength of Shell's underlying oil and gas operations. Analysts still expect net income of around £3 billion for the full year on a current cost basis. The shares shed 110p to 4360p.

# Fast food on the Great Wall of China

By Teresa Poole

A man who hopes to bring hamburger outlets to the Great Wall of China will officially ratify next Friday the first joint venture with the Peoples' Republic of China to be set up outside Chinese Law.

Mr Desmond Wong is looking for British property developers and food companies to take over two sites opposite the Ming Tombs and the Great Wall of China. These are earmarked for fast food outlets to feed up to 20,000 visitors a day, probably on hamburgers.

Mr Wong is president of the joint venture Good Earth Development Corporation, which was set up at the request of the Chinese leadership. Good Earth is half owned by a private New York project development company, World Trading & Shipping, and will be subject to American law.

On the Chinese side it is owned by China Kang Hua Industrial, a company headed by Mr Deng Pu Fang the eldest son of the Chinese leader Mr Deng Xiao Ping, with the business arm of the Ministry for Foreign Economic Relations for Trade.

Mr Deng's company was formed to generate funds to support the China Welfare Fund for the Handicapped. Mr Deng is paralysed from the waist down.

John French: Chinese view contracts differently

Desmond Wong: powerful partners in China

Good Earth will act as a link between Western and Chinese business. A London office is planned for next year. As well as acting as a consultant it will also take a direct stake in some of the joint ventures to be set up thorugh Good Earth.

Mr John French, chairman of WTS, said: "The Chinese do not have the same view of contracts as we have. But you get a Chinese involved and that is worth a thousand contracts".

With the help of Mr Wong WTS has been granted planning permission for 24,000 square meters of land in Beijing city centre.

China is interested in directly investing in foreign companies and would be able to do so by Good Earth taking an equity stake in businesses.

With the present concern to preserve China's foreign exchange, Good Earth's project will be designed to produce overseas revenue for China.

The first venture is the manufacture in the US of stretchy silk with technological help from Du Pont. The deal between Good Earth and the China Silk Import & Export Organisation enables China to provide raw silk at nominal cost then to earn foreign currency when the finished material is sold.

Britain's exports to China have doubled for each of the past two years, but represent only about 1.5 per cent of China's exports and imports.

Target's European success story.

New fund soars 30% since April launch.

The result of escalating demand for shares in European markets PLUS Target's experience in identifying 'special situations.'

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*Source: Money Management Oct 1985 (UK growth funds offer to bid, income reinvested over 7 years).

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Growth Potential.

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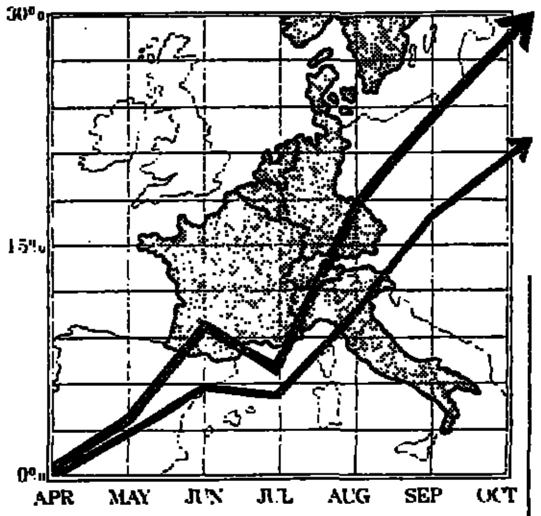

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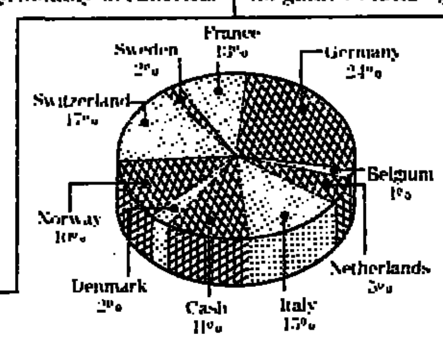

Portfolio as at Nov. 4th 1985.

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# Shares fall away from peak

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| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 449 | 380 | Brown Shipley | 415 | +5 | 13.2 | 3.2 | 17.9 |
| 548 | 463 | Cater Allen | 463 | .. | 41.3 | 8.9 | 11.3 |
| 40½ | 23½ | Cattles | 40 | .. | 2.3 | 5.8 | 13.6 |
| 50⅝ | 34⅞ | Chase Manhattan | £41⅝ | ● +⅛ | 364 | 8.7 | |
| 42 | 27½ | Citicorp | £30⅞ | ● +⅛ | 206 | 6.7 | |
| 72 | 35 | Clive | 35 | ● -1 | 1.3 | 3.8 | 6.4 |
| 41 | 28 | Com Bank Wales | 40 | | | | |
| 75½ | 42⅞ | Commerzbank | £75½ | +1½ | 6.0 | 0.1 | . |
| 195½ | 104½ | Deutsche Bank | £193 | +1 | 1200 | 6.2 | |
| 173 | 74½ | First Nat Finance | 174 | +1 | . | . | 12.3 |
| 372 | 294 | Gerrard Nat | 294 | ● -3 | 18.9 | 6.4 | 17.1 |
| 80 | 55 | Guinness Peat | 75 | . | 2.6 | 3.4 | 13.2 |
| 185 | 131 | Hambros | 183 | +7 | 9.3 | 5.1 | 15.3 |
| 27 | 12½ | Do (50p) | £23 | | 92.9 | 4.0 | 19.3 |
| 388 | 273 | Hill Samuel | 386 | +10 | 16.5 | 4.5 | 8.6 |
| 99 | 61½ | HK Shanghai | 89½ | +1½ | | | |
| 283 | 233 | Joseph (Leopold) | 278 | -5 | 16.1 | 5.8 | 14.5 |
| 188 | 148 | King & Shaxson | 152 | +2 | 11.8 | 7.8 | 18.3 |
| 575 | 375 | Kleinwort Benson | 570 | .. | 21.4b | 3.8 | 10.5 |
| 482 | 346 | Lloyds | 472 | . | 26.9 | 5.7 | 7.2 |
| 33 | 22 | Manson | 33 | ● . | 2.1 | 6.5 | 12.6 |
| 688 | 396 | Mercury Secs | 668 | +25 | 22.9 | 3.3 | 10.7 |
| 457 | 322 | Midland | 442 | -2 | 36.4 | 8.2 | 7.3 |
| 270 | 173 | Nat Aust Bk | 230 | -1 | | | |
| 719 | 567 | Nat West | 694 | . | 37.8 | 5.4 | 5.9 |
| 90 | 66½ | Ottoman | £78½ | . | 550 | 7.0 | 16.9 |
| 316 | 193 | Provident | 316 | +2 | 15.7 | 5.0 | 13.3 |
| 80 | 56 | Rea Bros | 58 | | 1.8 | 3.1 | 17.2 |
| 116 | 92 | Rothschild Ltl Hld | 108 | -1 | 8.5 | 8.0 | 12.9 |
| 21½ | 15 | Royl Bnk Of Can | £18½ | -½ | | | |
| 284 | 216 | Royl Bnk Of Scot | 286 | +2 | 12.6 | 4.4 | 10.8 |
| 11⅞ | 7½ | Schroders | £11⅞ | +⅛ | 26.4 | 2.3 | 18.3 |
| 70 | 35 | Smith St Aubyn | 38 | ● | 1.0 | 2.5 | 3.5 |
| 542 | 422 | Stand Chart | 469 | -3 | 42.1 | 9.0 | 7.3 |
| 745 | 628 | Union | 625 | | 52.9 | 8.4 | 8.1 |
| 80 | 56 | Wagon | 89 | | 5.0 | 5.6 | 11.9 |
| 51⅞ | 36⅞ | Wells Fargo | £39⅝ | +⅝ | | | |
| 280 | 240 | Wintrust | 250 | . | 6.9 | 2.7 | 15.9 |

## BUILDING AND ROADS

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 204 | 172 | Aberdeen Constr | 204 | ● | 10.5 | 5.1 | 12.7 |
| 280 | 230 | Amec | 267 | -4 | 15.7 | 5.9 | 10.8 |
| 80 | 29 | Amcliffe | 50 | | 0.1e | 0.3 | 7.7 |
| 130 | 82 | Allwoods | 115 | +1 | 5.7 | 5.0 | 10.5 |
| 335 | 208 | BPB Industries | 335 | +5 | 11.0 | 3.3 | 13.3 |
| 318 | 204 | Baggeridge Brick | 318 | .. | 9.5 | 3.0 | 13.7 |
| 120 | 64 | Barratt Devs | 116 | ● .. | 10.0 | 9.4 | |
| 34 | 19 | Bailey(Ben) Constr | 25 | .. | 0.4 | 1.4 | 5.0 |
| 151 | 113 | Bellway | 143 | -5 | 10.0 | 7.0 | 9.5 |
| 70 | 61 | Benford Concrete | 63 | +1 | 5.4 | 8.5 | 33.2 |
| 76 | 51 | Bett Bros | 68 | . | 4.4 | 6.5 | 10.2 |
| 925 | 545 | Blockleys | 900 | | 32.9 | 3.7 | 12.9 |
| 608 | 466 | Blue Circle | 573 | -13 | 28.6 | 5.0 | 7.9 |
| 240 | 194 | Breedon&Cloud Hill | 240 | . | 13.6 | 5.7 | 28.9 |
| 79 | 59 | Brickhouse Dudley | 66 | | 4.9 | 7.5 | 11.2 |
| 80 | 55 | Br Dredging | 67 | ● .. | 3.6 | 5.3 | 15.0 |
| 22 | 11 | Brown&Jackson | 16 | .. | | | 11.0 |
| 83 | 65 | Brownlee | 72 | .. | 5.7 | 7.9 | 8.0 |
| 89 | 64 | Bryant | 84 | ● .. | 4.7 | 5.6 | 10.2 |
| 130 | 20 | Burnett & Hallam | | | 12.5 | | |
| 155 | 145 | Cakebread Robey | 148 | . | 4.4 | 3.0 | 24.7 |
| 81 | 50 | Cement-Roadstone | 77½ | | 3.0 | 3.9 | |
| 70 | 42 | Condor Grp | 68 | | 2.1 | 3.1 | 28.1 |
| 526 | 336 | Costain | 488 | +4 | 22.1 | 4.5 | 10.3 |
| 342 | 204 | Countryside | 336 | -2 | 7.5 | 2.2 | 9.7 |
| 116 | 84 | Crouch (Derek) | 108 | +2 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 23.6 |
| 116 | 80 | Dew (George) | 112 | | 8.1 | 7.3 | 8.8 |
| 78 | 45 | Douglas (RM) | 72 | -6 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 12.8 |
| 66 | 58 | Erith | 63 | ● .. | 4.4 | 7.0 | 10.1 |
| 113 | 85 | Feb | 90 | +2 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 12.2 |
| 92 | 54 | Do 'A' | 58 | +2 | 4.1 | 7.1 | 7.9 |
| 95 | 63 | Finlan (John) | 63 | ● -2 | 4.3 | 6.8 | 24.6 |
| 227 | 117 | French Kier | 220 | ● +6 | 8.9 | 4.5 | 11.4 |

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 484 | 308 | Bowthorpe | 374 | +5 | 8.2 | 2.2 | 18.1 |
| 207 | 104½ | Br Telecom 90p P | 132 | -1 | 9.3 | 4.8 | 12.6 |
| 97 | 72 | Brown Boveri Kent | 72 | -2 | 3.8 | 5.0 | 9.9 |
| 31 | 11½ | Bulgin (AF) 'A' | 15 | | 1.9 | 12.9 | 34.9 |
| 309 | 100 | CASE | 109 | +5 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 9.1 |
| 635 | 440 | Cable & Wireless | 613 | -13 | 11.1 | 1.8 | 20.2 |
| 378 | 195 | Cambridge Elec | 215 | ● . | 10.2 | 4.7 | 10.0 |
| 178 | 165 | CAP Gp | 165 | .. | | | |
| 53 | 26 | Chloride | 48 | .. | . | | 11.3 |
| 228 | 120 | Do 7½% CPF | 216 | -2 | | | |
| 285 | 183 | Comcap | 223 | ● .. | 1.7 | 0.8 | 17.3 |
| 285 | 200 | Cray Elect | 256 | ● .. | 4.2 | 1.7 | 28.0 |
| 240 | 95 | Crystalate | 118 | +4 | 5.8 | 4.7 | 7.1 |
| 85 | 61 | Dale Elect | 70 | +1 | 6.4 | 9.2 | 24.4 |
| 180 | 97 | Dataserv | 178 | | 1.0 | 0.6 | |
| 29 | 14 | Dewhurst 'A' | 29 | +5 | 1.2 | 4.2 | 13.1 |
| 290 | 245 | Domino | 295 | | 2.5 | 0.9 | 33.1 |
| 84 | 62½ | Dowding & Mills | 84 | ● | 4.0 | 4.8 | 13.4 |
| 208 | 134 | Dubilier | 150 | | 3.6 | 2.4 | 13.1 |
| 348 | 255 | Electrocomponents | 345 | -2 | 7.9 | 2.3 | 21.4 |
| 60 | 37 | Electronic Mach | 44 | | 1.0b | 2.1 | 31.0 |
| 56 | 39 | Electronic Rentals | 50 | +1 | 4.9b | 9.2 | 79.7 |
| 283 | 156 | Emess Lighting | 254 | .. | 7.9 | 3.1 | 26.7 |
| 368 | 258 | Eurotherm | 305 | | 6.1 | 2.0 | 20.0 |
| 208 | 136 | Farnell Elect | 188 | ● | 2.9 | 1.5 | 21.4 |
| 184 | 104 | Ferranti | 118 | -2 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 16.0 |
| 130 | 89 | First Castle Elec | 97 | ● -2 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 9.5 |
| 40 | 20 | Forward Tech | 28 | | | | 14.1 |
| 220 | 150 | GEC | 152 | -4 | 5.7 | 3.5 | 11.0 |
| 124 | 98 | Grosvenor | 98 | -2 | 8.2 | 8.4 | 8.1 |
| 129 | 78 | Highland Elect | 102 | +1 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 13.1 |
| 148 | 133 | ICL | 143 | ● | 1.7 | 1.2 | . |
| 350 | 243 | Int Signal & Control | 345 | -3 | 1.0 | 0.3 | |
| 195 | 120 | Jones Stroud | 192 | | 10.0 | 5.2 | 9.1 |
| 215 | 80 | Kode | 97 | ● | 7.1 | 8.2 | 7.4 |
| 341 | 220 | Lec Refrigeration | 221 | | 17.9 | 8.1 | 6.1 |
| 389 | 100 | Logica | 157 | . | 1.4 | 0.9 | 19.1 |
| 326 | 220 | MK Elect | 293 | | 14.6 | 5.0 | 9.6 |
| 380 | 235 | Memec | 325 | ● | 3.6 | 1.1 | 30.4 |
| 235 | 45 | Micro BS | 51 | -1 | 2.5 | 4.9 | 8.0 |
| 970 | 100 | Micro Focus | 140 | -10 | | | |
| 98 | 43 | Muirhead Elec | 48 | | 4.0 | 8.3 | 36.1 |
| 94 | 59 | Murray Elect | 52 | -1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | . |
| 45 | 16 | Newman | 27½ | ● -½ | 1.1 | 4.1 | 8.0 |
| 285 | 170 | Newmark (Louis) | 263 | +3 | 18.6 | 7.1 | 12.0 |
| 90 | 75½ | NEI | 83½ | ● -½ | 7.5 | 9.0 | 14.0 |
| 172 | 47 | Oceonics | 57 | | 1.1 | 1.9 | 11.5 |
| 398 | 238 | Oxford Instruments | 388 | -2 | 2.0n | 0.5 | 30.8 |
| 58 | 43 | Peltbow | 48 | | 1.6 | 3.3 | 17.6 |
| 44 | 26 | Plascom | 24 | ● | 1.6 | 6.9 | 7.2 |
| 150⅝ | 95⅝ | Philips Fin 5¾% | £106½ | +3½ | 575 | 5.4 | |
| 15⅝ | 10⅞ | Philips Lamps N/V | £12½ | +⅛ | | | |
| 175 | 115 | Pifco | 130 | | 7.5 | 4.7 | 8.7 |
| 150 | 111½ | Do 'A' Ltd Voting | 147 | | 7.5 | 5.1 | 8.0 |
| 214 | 114 | Plessey | 139 | -4 | 6.3 | 4.6 | 10.3 |
| 20½ | 13⅝ | Do ADR 25 | £13⅞ | +⅛ | | | |
| 166 | 65 | Pressac | 115 | ● -2 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 16.1 |
| 60 | 28 | Quest Automation | 28 | -3 | | | 13.4 |
| 288 | 130 | Racal Elect | 136 | -4 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 8.7 |
| 196 | 142 | Rotaflex | 173 | -2 | 6.7 | 3.9 | 10.7 |
| 503 | 382 | Scholes (GH) | 425 | ● | 28.6 | 6.6 | 9.6 |
| 88 | 75 | Sharrock | 78 | | 2.1 | 2.7 | |
| 140 | 33½ | Sound Diffusion | 37 | | 0.6 | 1.6 | 7.2 |
| 289 | 72 | STC | 82 | -2 | | | 4.1 |
| 731 | 137 | Statne Ind | 191 | +1 | 6.3 | 3.3 | 12.0 |
| 119 | 74 | System Designers | 90 | ● | 0.6 | 0.6 | 33.1 |
| 21⅞ | 10⅝ | TDK | £13⅞ | ● | | | |
| 230 | 169 | Telephone Rentals | 180 | ● -2 | 10.0 | 5.5 | 13.0 |
| 484 | 301 | Thorn EMI | 382 | -2 | 25.0 | 6.5 | 13.7 |
| 170 | 149 | Thorpe (FW) | 170 | ● | 5.6 | 3.3 | 8.3 |
| 385 | 175 | Tunstall Telecom | 185 | | 2.1 | 1.2 | 12.7 |
| 216 | 158 | UEI | 205 | ● -5 | 7.5 | 3.7 | 18.3 |
| 308 | 173 | Unitech | 178 | | 8.1 | 4.6 | 8.5 |
| 350 | 278 | Utd Leasing | 283 | -3 | 5.1 | 1.8 | 8.0 |
| 278 | 161 | Utd Scientific | 175 | -4 | 8.1 | 4.6 | 11.9 |
| 350 | 244 | VG Instruments | 340 | -4 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 29.1 |
| 235 | 123 | Volex | 235 | +7 | 10.7 | 4.6 | 9.9 |
| 59 | 40 | Western Selection | 59 | . | 3.9 | 6.5 | 18.0 |
| 100 | 58 | Whitworth Elec | 95 | ● | 2.2 | 2.3 | 14.5 |

## FINANCE AND LAND

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## FOODS

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 218 | 166 | Charter Cons | 211 | +3 | 15.7 | 7.4 | 41.9 |
| 560 | 465 | Charming | 480 | .. | 16.4 | 3.4 | 12.8 |
| 325 | 208 | Christies Int | 248 | .. | 7.9 | 3.2 | 12.9 |
| 42 | 31 | Christy Hunt | 38 | -1 | | | 8.8 |
| 140 | 73 | Clarke (Clement) | 140 | .. | 8.5 | 4.6 | 21.7 |
| 145 | 82 | Clayton Son | 101 | .. | 10.7 | 10.6 | 7.8 |
| 530 | 450 | Cohen (A) | 440 | .. | 15.4 | 3.5 | 8.4 |
| 144 | 132 | Colcroft Gp | 139 | +1 | .. | .. | 12.8 |
| 38 | 3 | Combined Tech | 9 | -½ | | | |
| 75 | 61 | Concentric | 71 | . | 5.1 | 7.2 | 12.3 |
| 29 | 20 | Cont Stationery | 27 | .. | 2.6 | 9.5 | 6.9 |
| 84 | 52 | Cook (Wm) | 64 | .. | 3.9 | 6.1 | 10.7 |
| 391 | 230½ | Cookson | 356 | ● +3 | 9.3 | 2.6 | 9.5 |
| 289 | 135 | Cope Allman | 282 | +3 | 10.0 | 3.6 | 12.1 |
| 70 | 22 | Copson (F) | 40 | .. | 2.1 | 5.4 | 22.6 |
| 72 | 55 | Cosalt | 62½ | | 1.8 | 2.9 | 26.9 |
| 395 | 210 | Courtney Pope | 385 | ● +5 | 12.1 | 3.2 | 12.3 |
| 40 | 31 | Cowan De Groot | 37 | | 2.9 | 7.7 | 16.5 |
| 131 | 80 | Crest Nicholson | 128 | | 5.7 | 4.5 | 11.8 |
| 158 | 130 | Crown House | 150 | +2 | 10.0 | 6.7 | 12.3 |
| 287½ | 149½ | Cummins 3¼% | £162½ | +1 | 525 | 2.8 | |
| 483 | 350 | DPCE | 425 | ● | 4.3 | 1.0 | 30.9 |
| 505 | 393 | Dalgety | 458 | +3 | 35.7 | 7.8 | 8.7 |
| 29⅝ | 15⅝ | Dana | £16⅝ | -⅛ | | | |
| 88 | 33 | Davies & Met 'A' | 66 | .. | 3.2 | 4.8 | . |
| 175 | 133 | Davies & Newman | 171 | .. | 13.4 | 7.8 | 5.4 |
| 127 | 81 | Davy | 109 | -1 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 10.7 |
| 340 | 750 | De La Rue | 815 | .. | 42.9 | 5.3 | 10.7 |
| 175 | 105½ | Delta | 163 | ● .. | 7.2 | 4.5 | 8.2 |
| 186 | 106 | Dartland Stamping | 145 | -1 | 9.0 | 6.2 | 8.2 |
| 200 | 132 | Desoutter | 166 | -2 | 9.7 | 5.8 | 7.0 |
| 41 | 22 | Diamond Stylus | 36 | .. | 0.7 | 1.9 | 13.4 |
| 14½ | 10½ | Dinkie Heel | 12½ | .. | 0.8 | 5.9 | 12.7 |
| 225 | 158 | Diploma | 228 | .. | 7.1 | 3.1 | 15.0 |
| 90½ | 68 | Dobson Park | 82 | | 7.4 | 9.1 | 17.8 |
| 96 | 73 | Dom | 95 | ● -1 | 7.1 | 7.4 | 10.5 |
| 106 | 74 | Dominion Int | 102 | +1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.7 |
| 60 | 35 | Dufay Bitumastic | 57 | ● | 2.6 | 4.5 | 32.8 |
| 55½ | 26 | Duport | 58½ | ● -1 | 2.6 | 4.4 | 16.0 |
| 36 | 12 | Dwek | 20 | . | | | 10.3 |
| 88 | 65 | Dyson (J&J) | 80 | . | 5.7 | 7.1 | 19.5 |
| 87 | 64 | Do 'A' | 71 | .. | 5.7 | 8.0 | 17.3 |

## E – K

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 295 | 298 | Eastern Prod | 280 | . | 14.3 | 5.1 | 2.9 |
| 168 | 108 | Edbro | 131 | +1 | 9.3 | 5.8 | 8.9 |
| 240 | 148 | EIS | 235 | -3 | 8.9 | 3.8 | 14.3 |
| 35 | 27½ | Elbief | 29½ | . | 2.5 | 8.3 | 12.5 |
| 119 | 65 | Eleco | 108 | | 5.3 | 4.9 | 10.9 |
| 31⅝ | 12½ | Electrolux (AE) 'B' | £16½ | +½ | | | |
| 87 | 51½ | Elliott (B) | 62 | -2 | 2.9 | 4.6 | 18.3 |
| 29⅝ | 12⅝ | Emhart | £20⅝ | -⅛ | 139 | 6.9 | . |
| 286 | 216 | English China Clay | 269 | -2 | 15.3 | 5.7 | 12.7 |
| 30 | 16½ | Ericsson (LM) 'B' | £16½ | +1½ | 9.0 | 0.5 | .. |
| 138 | 78 | Erskine House | 135 | | 3.6 | 2.6 | 18.4 |
| 153½ | 115 | European Ferries | 153½ | -2½ | 6.1 | 4.0 | 10.5 |
| 163 | 101 | Do 5% Prf | 132 | -2 | 7.1 | 5.4 | |
| 270 | 139 | Evered | 218 | ● -3 | 4.6 | 2.1 | 19.0 |
| 140 | 104 | Evode | 118 | | 4.2 | 3.6 | 9.8 |
| 135 | 90 | Expamet Int | 130 | ● -3 | 7.8 | 5.9 | 17.0 |
| 380 | 272 | Fedel | 355 | +5 | 9.9 | 2.7 | 20.9 |
| 42 | 23 | Falcon | 27 | ● . | 1.4 | 5.3 | 8.9 |
| 37 | 26 | Feedex Agric Ind | 33 | | 1.4 | 4.3 | 58.9 |
| 150 | 112 | Fenner (JH) | 117 | +1 | 7.1 | 6.1 | 31.4 |
| 178 | 129 | Ferguson Ind | 178 | +2 | 10.2 | 5.7 | 12.4 |
| 125 | 60 | Fife Indmar | 65 | | 5.0a | 7.7 | 6.7 |
| 410 | 290 | Fisons | 405 | -3 | 6.9 | 1.7 | 21.6 |
| 47 | 22 | Fitzwilton | 39 | . | 1.0 | 2.6 | |
| 98 | 66 | Flexello C&W | 76 | -2 | 4.6 | 6.0 | 6.2 |
| 48 | 20 | Fobel | 30 | ● +½ | 0.6 | 1.9 | 3.6 |
| 115 | 55 | Fogarty | 114 | ● | 5.7 | 5.0 | 43.8 |
| 30 | 20½ | Folkes Group N/V | 27 | ● | 1.9 | 6.9 | 7.9 |

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 120 | 87 | Stonehill | 98 | .. | 8.6 | 8.9 | 10.1 |
| 182 | 113 | Stothert & Pitt | 145 | .. | .. | | 4.3 |
| 243 | 178 | Sunlight Serv | 185 | .. | 12.5b | 6.8 | 9.4 |
| 49 | 24 | Suter Speakman | 39 | -1 | | | 37.1 |
| 191 | 112 | Suter | 189 | ● | 6.0 | 3.2 | 17.9 |
| 303 | 207½ | Swire Pacific 'A' | 281½ | +5 | .. | .. | . |
| 28 | 6 | Sycamore | 11 | | .. | | |
| 236 | 180 | Syltone | 286 | +6 | 14.3 | 6.1 | 9.8 |
| 412 | 208 | TI | 387 | +6 | 14.3 | 3.6 | 18.8 |
| 147 | 91 | TNT | 112 | | .. | | |
| 320 | 94 | TSL Thermal | 213 | -2 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 17.7 |
| 531½ | 381 | Tace | 420 | +5 | 9.0 | 2.1 | 33.2 |
| 32⅝ | 21⅝ | Takeda Chem | £30⅝ | +⅝ | | | |
| 9 | 5½ | Talbex | 5½ | | 0.3 | 5.7 | 7.5 |
| 81 | 45 | Tatlico | 72 | -2 | 4.2b | 5.8 | 8.1 |
| 116 | 60 | Tex Hldgs | 80 | .. | | | |
| 90 | 65 | Third Mile | 90 | ● .. | 2.9 | 3.2 | 13.6 |
| 48 | 38 | Thomson T-line | 38 | -2 | .. | .. | .. |
| 108 | 105 | Tiphook | 105 | | | | |
| 248 | 137 | Tomkins (FH) | 222 | -2 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 27.8 |
| 385 | 324 | Trafalgar House | 368 | -3 | 18.4 | 4.5 | 12.7 |
| 231 | 198 | Transcontinental | 215 | | 9.8 | 4.5 | 15.8 |
| 131½ | 105½ | Transport Dev | 128 | ● -1 | 8.1 | 6.4 | 11.5 |
| 18 | 7½ | Tranwood | 13 | .. | | | 16.3 |
| 53 | 38 | Triefus | 46 | .. | 0.1e | 0.2 | |
| 88 | 32 | Triplex | 90 | .. | 1.1 | 1.2 | 12.6 |
| 121 | 81 | Turner & Newall | 99 | ● +1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.5 |
| 144 | 94 | UKO | 133 | .. | 7.1 | 5.4 | 6.2 |
| 59 | 21 | Unigroup | 57 | .. | 0.3 | 0.6 | |
| 12⅞ | 9⅞ | Unilever | £12⅞ | -⅛ | 50.7 | 4.2 | 11.4 |
| 51⅞ | 44⅞ | Unilever (NV) | £51⅞ | +⅛ | | | |
| 163 | 88 | Utd Parcels | 145 | -8 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 24.3 |
| 214 | 164 | Valor | 189 | | 6.6 | 3.5 | 9.5 |
| 316 | 185 | Vereeniging | 156 | .. | | | |
| 340 | 210 | Vickers | 310 | -5 | 15.7 | 5.1 | 11.6 |
| 125 | 78 | Victor Products | 116 | +1 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 12.1 |
| 208 | 101 | Vinten | 145 | | 4.5 | 3.1 | 25.2 |
| 111⅝ | 52½ | Volkswagen | £111½ | +2½ | .. | . | . |
| 305 | 142 | Vosper | 214 | -2 | .. | | 8.3 |
| 88 | 30 | WSL | | | .. | .. | |
| 174 | 110 | Wade Potteries | 138 | -5 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 19.3 |
| 148 | 98 | Wadkin | 116 | ● -2 | 2.1 | 1.8 | |
| 140 | 125 | Wagon Ind | 137 | +1 | 10.4 | 7.6 | 11.0 |
| 83½ | 34½ | Waterford Glass | 83½ | ● +1 | 1.9 | 2.9 | |
| 187 | 153 | Watmoughs | 187 | ● +1 | 4.3 | 2.3 | 25.4 |
| 188 | 81 | Watson (R Kelvin) | 168 | | 6.1 | 3.6 | 18.9 |
| 236 | 186 | Wedgwood | 212 | +1 | 10.4 | 4.9 | 9.7 |
| 72 | 40 | Weir | 68½ | ● -1 | 3.6 | 5.2 | 11.8 |
| 15½ | 8 | Wellman | 14 | .. | | | |
| 153 | 58 | Westland | 73 | .. | 11.8 | 16.2 | 25.4 |
| 88 | 68 | Weeks | 85 | .. | 7.9 | 9.2 | 11.7 |
| 285 | 185 | Whessoe Reeve | 242 | ● +2 | 3.1 | 1.3 | . |
| 112 | 84 | Whessoe | 96 | -2 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 7.5 |
| 193 | 138 | Whitecroft | 184 | .. | 11.0 | 6.0 | 9.8 |
| 224 | 128 | Wilkes (James) | 180 | ● .. | 8.4 | 5.9 | 13.2 |
| 403 | 168 | Williams Hldgs | 395 | -3 | 10.0 | 2.5 | 20.2 |
| 188 | 126 | Wills Gp | 165 | ● .. | 11.4 | 6.9 | 47.3 |
| 500 | 256 | Wolseley-Hughes | 500 | +2 | 15.7 | 3.1 | 11.6 |
| 91 | 45 | Wood (Arthur) | 55 | . | 5.0 | 9.1 | 4.2 |
| 27 | 16 | Wood (SW) | 20 | .. | 1.4 | 7.2 | 7.1 |
| 45 | 15 | Woodhouse & Rix | 41 | .. | 2.9 | 7.0 | 16.8 |
| 85 | 69 | Wyndham Eng | 69 | .. | 2.1 | 3.1 | 19.7 |
| 510 | 370 | Yarrow | 493 | .. | 15.7 | 3.2 | 19.3 |
| 125 | 88 | Young (H) | 125 | ● .. | 3.9 | 3.1 | 12.6 |

## INSURANCE

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 251 | 211 | Abbey Life | 218 | ● -5 | 9.4 | 4.3 | .. |
| 25⅝ | 18⅝ | Alex & Alex | £21⅝ | ● -⅛ | 100 | 4.7 | .. |
| 26⅝ | 19⅝ | Am Gen | £22⅝ | +⅛ | 89.0 | 3.9 | |
| 220 | 190 | Bradstock | 216 | +3 | .. | | .. |
| 834 | 593 | Britannic | 819 | -8 | 37.9 | 4.6 | .. |
| 281 | 174 | Com Union | 255 | ● -4 | 18.9 | 6.6 | .. |
| 293 | 208 | Equity & Law | 291 | -9 | 8.0 | 2.8 | .. |
| 11⅞ | 519 | FAI | 970 | ● | 17.0 | 1.8 | .. |

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## LEISURE

## MINING

## MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT

## NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 725 | 505 | News International | 638 | ● . | 15.1 | 2.4 | |
| 685 | 428 | Octopus | 505 | . | 8.2 | 1.6 | 28.3 |
| 147 | 127 | Portsmouth Sund | 127 | | 5.7 | 4.5 | 12.7 |
| 277 | 227 | Trinity Intl | 240 | -1 | 17.4 | 7.3 | 8.0 |
| 330 | 260 | Utd Newspapers | 271 | ● -2 | 22.9e | 8.4 | 10.4 |

## OIL

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 129 | 91 | Ampol | 112 | -1 | .. | .. | |
| 52 | 18 | Aran Energy | 23 | | .. | .. | |
| 78 | 24 | Atlantic Resources | 30 | +2 | | | |
| 588 | 470 | Br Petroleum | 560 | ● -3 | 43.7 | 8.2 | 7.0 |
| 32 | 13 | Britoil Oil | 14 | | | | |
| 388 | 295 | Br Borneo | 355 | -3 | 25.0 | 7.0 | 13.2 |
| 236 | 181 | Britoil | 213 | -3 | 18.0b | 8.5 | 5.9 |
| 320 | 200 | Burmah | 307 | ● +1 | 15.4 | 5.0 | 11.6 |
| 178 | 110 | Carless Capel | 119 | -3 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 12.1 |
| 88 | 65 | Century | 84 | -1 | 5.0 | 6.0 | 41.4 |
| 57 | 30 | Charterhall | 34 | -1 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 4.9 |
| 112 | 77 | Charterhouse Pet | 81 | ● .. | 1.8 | 2.2 | 10.8 |
| 208 | 155 | Enterprise | 167 | ● -2 | 12.1 | 7.3 | 5.7 |
| 70 | 38 | Gerber Energy | 52 | .. | . | . | . |
| 355 | 260 | Global N Res | 275 | .. | | | |
| 128 | 78 | Goal Pet | 78 | . | 1.4 | 1.8 | 9.2 |
| 310 | 85 | Gt Western Res | 120 | | 1.4 | 1.2 | |
| 361 | 230 | IC Gas | 325 | -3 | 20.7 | 6.4 | 7.6 |
| 43 | 19 | KCA Drilling | 35 | -1 | 4.3 | 12.3 | |
| 379 | 226 | LASMO | 248 | +8 | 17.4 | 7.0 | 15.2 |
| 520 | 330 | Do Units | 335 | +5 | 144 | 43.0 | |
| 175 | 45 | New London Oil | 53 | .. | | | |
| 210 | 132 | Petrocon | 151 | . | 7.9 | 5.2 | 8.2 |
| 50 | 36 | Premier | 38 | .. | | | 17.0 |
| 480 | 215 | Ranger | 275 | -5 | . | | .. |
| 50⅝ | 41⅝ | Royal Dutch | £45⅞ | -⅞ | 228 | 5.2 | |
| 791 | 640 | Shell | 670 | ● -12 | 48.0 | 7.2 | 7.3 |
| 175 | 141 | Silkolene | 158 | +5 | 12.9 | 8.1 | 10.8 |
| 207 | 87 | Sovereign | 102 | | | | 3.8 |
| 39 | 21 | TR Energy | 23 | -½ | | | 27.5 |
| 283 | 170 | Tricentrol | 171 | ● -2 | 14.3 | 8.4 | 4.8 |
| 248 | 190 | Ultramar | 205 | +5 | 15.0 | 7.3 | 4.4 |

## OVERSEAS TRADERS

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 288 | 140 | Anglo Indonesian | 141 | . | 10.7 | 7.6 | 2.9 |
| 41 | 24 | Borthwick | 33 | -1 | 0.7e | 2.1 | 9.5 |
| 102 | 58 | Finlay (James) | 91 | +3 | 5.9 | 6.5 | 4.3 |
| 478 | 328 | Harrison Crosfield | 362 | ● -5 | 28.6 | 7.9 | 11.0 |
| 498 | 320 | Inchcape | 330 | .. | 25.8 | 7.5 | 15.0 |
| 33 | 25 | Jacks (Wm) | 33 | ● . | 1.4 | 4.3 | 10.3 |
| 184 | 147 | Lonrho | 163 | +1 | 16.4 | 10.1 | 8.6 |
| 54 | 44 | Ocean Wilsons | 54 | +1 | 4.2 | 7.8 | 8.9 |
| 228 | 128 | Paterson Zoch | 213 | ● .. | 8.4 | 4.0 | 5.5 |
| 228 | 128 | Do 'A' | 213 | ● | 8.4 | 4.0 | 5.5 |
| 289 | 199 | Polly Peck | 225 | -3 | 5.7 | 2.6 | 4.8 |
| 85 | 54 | Sime Darby | 55 | ● .. | | .. | |
| 575 | 455 | Steel Bros | 560 | ● | 22.9 | 4.1 | 8.2 |
| 68 | 25 | Tozer Kemsley | 64 | -3 | . | | 10.9 |
| 251 | 161 | Yule Catto | 161 | -2 | 8.9 | 5.5 | 7.0 |

## PAPER, PRINTING, ADVERT'G

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 110 | 56 | Adscan Int | 58 | -4 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 21.3 |
| 212 | 173 | Assoc Paper | 208 | -1 | 7.4 | 3.5 | 12.8 |
| 50 | 33 | Ault & Wiborg | 40 | -1 | | .. | 9.6 |
| 178 | 135 | Bemrose | 140 | ● | 1.8 | 1.3 | 6.1 |
| 412½ | 304 | Boase Massimi | 304 | ● -8 | 5.4 | 1.8 | . |
| 205 | 159 | BPCC | 193 | -2 | 17.1b | 8.6 | 7.5 |
| 172 | 130 | Bunzl | 143 | | 7.0 | 4.9 | 35.8 |
| 182 | 103 | Do R/V | 136 | | 7.0 | 5.1 | 34.6 |

## PROPERTY

## SHIPPING

## SHOES AND LEATHER

## TEXTILES

## TOBACCOS

## BRITISH FUNDS

## BREWERIES

## BANKS DISCOUNT HP

## CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 143 | 88 | Stewart Plastic | 142 | | 3.8 | 2.7 | 20.0 |
| 328 | 192 | Wolstenholme Rink | 203 | ● . | 11.1 | 5.5 | 9.3 |
| 87 | 58 | Yorkshire Chem | 68 | .. | 2.5e | 3.7 | 11.3 |

## CINEMAS AND TV

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 173 | 120 | Anglia TV 'A' | 173 | . | 11.4 | 6.6 | 12.4 |
| 44 | 26 | Grampian | 30 | -1 | 2.4 | 8.0 | 6.8 |
| 170 | 118 | HTV N/V | 170 | ● -2 | 11.0 | 6.5 | 7.6 |
| 301 | 218 | LWT Hldgs | 286 | | 20.6 | 7.2 | |
| 194 | 138 | Scot TV 'A' | 164 | ● | 12.7 | 7.8 | 5.7 |
| 153 | 110 | TVS N/V | 147 | | 8.6 | 5.8 | 8.5 |
| 33 | 23 | TSW | 30 | ● | 2.4 | 8.1 | 8.2 |

## DRAPERY AND STORES

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 66 | 59½ | Aquascutum 'A' | 64½ | -1 | 3.2 | 5.0 | 24.3 |
| 100 | 51½ | Beattie (James) 'A' | 95 | -1 | 2.0 | 3.2 | 15.4 |
| 141 | 60 | Bentalls | 138 | ● -1 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 28.1 |
| 52 | 9 | Blacks Leis | 10 | -½ | | | |
| 65 | 48 | Bremner | 64 | | 1.4 | 2.2 | 47.5 |
| 327 | 225 | Br Home Stores | 315 | -6 | 10.0 | 3.2 | 17.2 |
| 540 | 220 | Brown (N) | 530 | -10 | 12.9 | 2.4 | 27.0 |
| 585 | 402 | Burton | 576 | -2 | 12.1 | 2.1 | 20.9 |
| 45 | 29 | Card (A) & Sons | 38 | | | | |
| 92 | 53 | Cantors 'A' | 85 | ● | 2.9 | 3.4 | 21.5 |
| 54 | 38 | Casket (S) | 42 | ● | 3.1 | 7.5 | 7.5 |
| 350 | 224 | Church | 335 | -5 | 20.7 | 6.2 | 11.3 |
| 164 | 97 | Combined English | 191 | ● +1 | | 4.8 | 22.5 |
| 138 | 95 | Courts (Furn) 'A' | 121 | -1 | 6.7 | 5.5 | 16.0 |
| 90 | 67½ | Dewhirst (IJ) | 89 | ● -1 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 21.0 |
| 547 | 524 | Dixons Grp | 539 | -5 | 8.5 | 0.9 | 25.2 |
| 326 | 271 | Dunhill | 280 | -3 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 13.2 |
| 74 | 56½ | Ellis & Goldstein | 73 | +½ | 3.3 | 4.5 | 10.0 |
| 643 | 385 | Etys (Wimbledon) | 625 | ● -5 | 12.9 | 2.1 | 31.4 |
| 172 | 92 | Empire Stores | 166 | ● | 3.6 | 2.2 | 28.4 |
| 228 | 130 | Exam | 218 | ● -2 | 4.6 | 2.1 | 23.5 |
| 45 | 27 | Executex Clothes | 43 | | | | 7.4 |
| 133 | 72 | Fine Art Dev | 133 | -3 | 4.6 | 3.4 | 23.8 |
| 61 | 25½ | Ford (Martin) | 54 | . | 0.1 | 0.1 | |
| 190 | 143 | Forminster | 175 | | 8.6 | 4.9 | 8.0 |
| 375 | 182 | Freemans | 375 | ● -8 | 8.3 | 2.2 | 20.0 |
| 36 | 27½ | Gelfer (AJ) | 56 | | 7.4 | 7.7 | 9.4 |
| 154 | 60 | Gem SR | 68 | ● | 2.9 | 4.2 | 41.0 |
| 77 | 43 | Goldberg (A) | 76 | -1 | 7.4 | 1.9 | 58.7 |
| 237 | 153 | Goldsmiths Gp | 160 | -1 | 10.7 | 6.0 | 12.7 |
| 378 | 152 | Grattan | 378 | ● +14 | 5.7 | 1.5 | 24.1 |
| 965 | 684 | GUS | 900 | ● | 25.7 | 2.9 | 15.7 |
| 899 | 674 | Do 'A' | 884 | ● -3 | 25.7 | 2.9 | 14.4 |
| 526 | 364 | Habitat Mothercare | 524 | | 11.4 | 2.2 | 25.6 |
| 280 | 168 | Harris Queensway | 254 | | 5.2 | 2.3 | 23.5 |
| 39 | 22 | Helene Of London | 29 | +2 | 2.2b | 7.9 | 10.7 |
| 244 | 154 | Hepworth (J) | 218 | -3 | 5.4 | 2.5 | 24.7 |
| 31 | 21 | Hollas | 27 | | 2.9 | 10.6 | 11.3 |
| 398 | 260 | Home Charm | 348 | -5 | 4.2 | 1.2 | 25.4 |
| 128 | 109 | House Of Lerose | 111 | ● -1 | 11.4 | 10.3 | 10.4 |
| 90 | 71½ | Jones (Ernest) | 84 | | 5.6 | 6.6 | 19.1 |
| 33 | 21 | Ladies Pride | 23 | | 2.1 | 9.3 | 17.0 |
| 143 | 100 | Lee Cooper | 120 | ● -1 | 5.3 | 4.4 | 5.6 |
| 845 | 377 | Liberty | 805 | ● | 10.0 | 1.2 | 39.0 |
| 173 | 142 | Lincroft Kilgour | 188 | | 8.6 | 4.6 | 14.9 |
| 191 | 111 | Marks & Spencer | 184 | -1 | 5.1 | 2.8 | 26.4 |
| 335 | 218 | Menzies (John) | 331 | -2 | 5.1 | 1.6 | 19.4 |
| 185 | 116 | Milletts Leisure | 180 | ● | 2.9 | 1.6 | 48.3 |
| 525 | 308 | Moss Bros | 505 | ● +10 | 7.4 | 1.5 | 35.3 |
| 122 | 94 | NSS Newsagents | 150 | -2 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 11.7 |
| 385 | 313 | Oliver (G) | 343 | | 11.7 | 3.4 | 26.9 |
| 547 | 179 | Owen Owen | 578 | ● -5 | 5.9 | 1.1 | 48.5 |
| 97 | 58 | Peters Stores | 65 | | 1.4 | 2.1 | 35.5 |
| 118 | 100 | Preedy (Alfred) | 112 | | 5.5 | 4.3 | 20.6 |
| 122 | 48 | Ratners (Jewellers) | 117 | | 3.6 | 3.0 | 39.5 |
| 39½ | 32½ | Raybeck | 37 | ● -½ | 1.1 | 2.9 | |
| 40½ | 25½ | Readicut | 37½ | | 2.1 | 5.5 | 9.4 |
| 235 | 155 | Reed (Austin) | 235 | ● | | 3.7 | 28.3 |
| 157 | 95 | Do 'A' | 154 | ● -2 | 7.1 | 4.6 | 17.5 |
| 36 | 18 | S & U Stores | 28 | | | | 21.5 |
| 165 | 115 | Samuel (H) | 105 | | 6.9 | 3.5 | 42.5 |
| 92 | 72 | Do 'A' | 78 | -2 | 6.5 | 7.5 | 29.0 |
| 113½ | 78 | Sears | 112½ | | 4.4 | 3.3 | 14.3 |
| 285 | 200 | Simpson (S) 'A' | 275 | | 8.2 | 3.0 | 12.9 |
| 230 | 150 | Smith (WH) 'A' | 274 | | 7.1 | 2.6 | 18.8 |
| 54 | 31 | Do 'B' | 43 | | 1.4 | 3.1 | 18.2 |
| 77 | 42 | Stanley (AG) | 67 | | 3.9 | 5.3 | 19.7 |
| 75 | 58 | Steinberg | 66 | -5 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 12.9 |
| 85 | 28 | Sumrie Clothes | 30 | | | | |
| 501 | 373 | Superdrug Stores | 510 | ● +2 | 9.4 | 1.3 | 24.5 |
| 57 | 40 | Term-Consulate | 43 | -2 | 2.9 | 6.0 | 10.6 |
| 58½ | 27½ | Time Products | 57½ | | 2.5 | 4.3 | 12.0 |
| 449 | 267 | Upton Viyella | 442 | -2 | 16.4 | 3.7 | 11.0 |
| 231 | 140 | WW Group | 178 | ● | 11.3 | 6.4 | 6.5 |
| 328 | 203 | Ware White | 322 | | 8.5 | 2.6 | 16.7 |

## ELECTRICALS

## HOTELS AND CATERERS

| 1985 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div pence | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 370 | 275 | Grand Met | 358 | -2 | 17.9 | 5.0 | 13.0 |
| 240 | 186 | Kennedy Brookes | 229 | ● -3 | [illegible] | 0.8 | [illegible] |
| 378 | 241 | Ladbroke | 318 | -1 | 12.0 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 418 | 345 | Lon Park Hotels | 415 | ● .. | 15.0b | [illegible] | 17.5 |
| 56 | [illegible] | Mount Charlotte | 54 | | 1.7 | [illegible] | 17.5 |
| 115 | 82 | Prince Of W Hotels | 92 | -1 | [illegible] | [illegible] | 15.5 |
| 63½ | 49½ | Queens Moat | 53 | | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 415 | 352 | Savoy Hotels 'A' | 373 | | [illegible] | 3.3 | 18.6 |
| 79 | 59 | Stakis | 69 | | [illegible] | [illegible] | 20.4 |
| 151 | [illegible] | Trusthouse Forte | 145 | -1 | [illegible] | 4.9 | 21.4 |

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TENNIS: NEW TWIST IN TOURNAMENT

# Grand prix council file counter-claim against former sponsors

**By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent**

There are too many lawyers in tennis, and too many lawyers outside tennis draining too much money from the game. In the United States, especially, it sometimes seems that nobody will sit down and negotiate any issue of consequence unless first slapped in the face with a law suit. What makes it all the more ludicrous is that the litigants keep changing rules like children playing some party game. If tennis had a governing body independent of the tournament circuit the nonsense might cease. But there is no sign of that; nor any sign that the warring factions would welcome such a neutral authority.

The Men's International Professional Tennis Council, who run the Grand Prix series, held a press conference in London yesterday to announce that they had filed a counter-claim in an action brought against them earlier this year by Volvo, former sponsors of the Grand Prix, and two of the management agencies, ProServ and the International Merchandising Corporation. These original plaintiffs alleged that the the MIPTC are guilty of malpractice in trying to monopolize the game. The MIPTC hit back in yesterday's official statement with allegations that referred to "an illegal web of pervasive conflicts, intimidation, fraud and corruption".

The counter-claim alleges that the management companies "control or have substantial financial interest in" at least 24 of 37 major tournaments. Against this, it must be pointed out that independent *entrepreneurs from one stable* or another have been responsible for most of the successful promotion of initiatives in professional tennis.

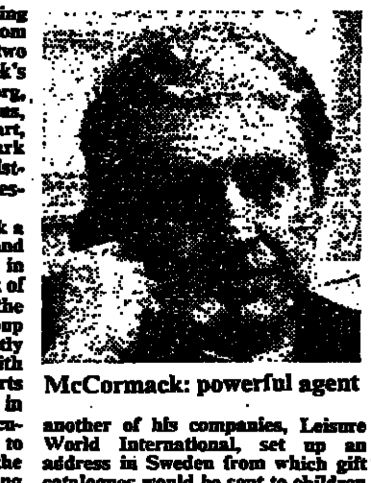
Mike Davies, the MIPTC chairman, said yesterday: "This suit says very plainly that the council has gone to war with the agents. Their conflicts and entanglements now threaten our sport to the extent that we feel the agents must choose whether they will represent players of tournaments. They can't do both."

His predecessor as chairman Phillipe Chatrier, said: "There have been growing fears during recent years that some agents were *building empires* that would lead to the corruption of professional sport at large. This is the first time a major sports organization has tackled this problem officially and legally". At the same time Chatrier conceded: "Agents definitely have a place in the game. We don't want to drive them out of business".

Boiled down, the issue is, that each side considers the other is exercising more influence over professional tennis than is reasonable. Individually or collectively, most of the nine-man MIPTC have associated with one or another of the defendants in the counter-claims. Even now, there are plenty of people – a few players among them – with allegiances to both of the contending parties. There are also plenty of people on both sides who want the present legal wrangle to go all the way. That is, to an ultimate legal judgement as distinct from an earlier out-of-court compromise.

Such an ultimate judgement would presumably tell both the MIPTC and their present opponents exactly how much power they legitimately have

## The millionaire-maker


McCormack: powerful agent

**Since his initial success in taking Arnold Palmer's earnings from $60,000 in 1959 to $500,000 two years *later*, Mark McCormack's clients have included Bjorn Borg, Sebastian Coe, Jack Nicklaus, Jean-Claud Killy, Jackie Stewart, Jean Shrimpton, Captain Mark Phillips, Rod Laver, Father Christmas, the London Symphony Orchestra and the Pope.**

***Born in 1930*, McCormack took a law degree at Yale University and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1957. Five years later, on the back of Palmer's success, he founded the International Management Group (IMG), which has subsequently grown into a powerful agency with interests not merely in sports competitors but in the events in which they appear and, in particular, the television rights attached to those events. Wimbledon and the Open golf championship are among the tournaments whose income has been substantially increased by *McCormack's commercial acumen*.**

**He has also invented new events, such as the annual World Match Play golf championship at Wentworth and, more controversially, the Young Masters tennis tournament in Birmingham, which clashed with the established WCT doubles event at the Albert Hall in London last January.**

**Familiar to the British television audience for his BBC golf commentaries, McCormack is believed to have earned a fee of about £1 million for promoting the Pope's tour of Britain in 1981, the year in which another of his companies, Leisure World International, set up an address in Sweden from which gift catalogues would be sent to children who had posted letters to Father Christmas.**

***Last year his book, What They Don't Teach You At Harvard Business School*, earned him an advance of £300,000 from his American publisher. More recently he was retaind as a sponsorship consultant by the LSO and awarded the right to sell the television coverage of the 1987 America's Cup races on behalf of the Royal Perth Yacht Club.**

**IMG's activities came under severe criticism in the 1983 Howell Report on sponsorship in sport, headed by Denis Howell, the former Sports Minister.**

## Peacock appointed to new LTA post

**By Rex Bellamy**

Ian Peacock, formerly managing director of Slazengers, has been appointed executive director of the Lawn Tennis Association as from January 1. This new position is to some extent the LTA response to the "chief executive" appointment recommended by the 1980 report of the Sports Minister's committee of enquiry into British tennis.

Peacock, 51, has an initial contract for three years. He has Scottish blood but was brought up in the south of England and lives in Surrey. From 1954 to 1983 Peacock worked for Slazengers and, after the merger, for Dunlop-Slazenger. Then he set up his own marketing company, which is now for sale.

He said yesterday that his first task would be "to get to know the problems and identify the key priorities." He was excited, he said, by the challenge of developing and marketing one of Britain's leading games.

Geoff Brown, president of the LTA, pointed out that their increased income had happened recently and suddenly. Their net income for the year was about £4m and consequently hey were a business. A business needed controlling and Peacock's job made him the equivalent of a managing director.

The LTA board management, of which Peacock would be a member, could now concentrate on policy, Brown added, "rather than being trapped into day-to-day management."

Once the executive director has settled in, Brown explained, he would be expected to make a leading contribution to policy ("bullying" the board if necessary) and to co-ordinate and integrate the activities of the many LTA departments. The LTA have already expanded and to some extent reorganized their empire since that 1980 report.

It will be up to the new man to make the most of all that.

GYMNASTICS

## Chinese call for review

Montreal, (AFP) – The growing conviction that the draw helped the Soviet Union win the men's team title at the world championships here was fuelled on Wednesday when the Chinese called for a review of the change in the system of allocating times for the compulsory exercises.

Even the Soviet coach, Leonid Arkaev, all but admitted that the draw, which meant the Chinese had to perform their compulsories in the morning while the Soviets had the benefit of a late evening start, had *something to do with the outcome*. Judging is widely regarded as being more severe in the morning and becomes progressively more lenient as the day wears on.

Arkaev said: "The International Gymnastics Federation try to make judging as objective as possible but I don't think judging affects results." However he added: "But I would say that to perform in the evening was best." The Chinese coach, Zhang Jian, who after Monday's compulsories said he felt the judging had been too harsh, said: "The scores vary from the morning to the evening. In my opinion, there is too much difference and it must be changed."

**MEN'S TEAM** (Final positions after optional exercises): 1, Soviet Union 585.85 pts; 2, China 582.90; 3, East Germany 581.05; 4, Japan 579.70; 5, Hungary 569.65; 6, West Germany 567.35.
**MEN'S INDIVIDUAL:** 1, S Kroll (EG) and V Artemov (USSR) 58.900; 3, Y Korolev (USSR) 58.750; 4, V Mogilnyi (USSR) 58.550; 5, Li Ning (China) 58.475; 6, Xu Zhiqiang (China) 58.450.

SQUASH

## Williams on right track

**By Colin McQuillan**

Present form suggests the 1985 Inter-City national championships, commencing today at Bristol, should follow the well-worn tracks of half a dozen preceeding British closed tournament.

With the defending champion, Geoff Williams, only recently back on court after knee cartilage problems, Gawain Briars and Philip Kenyon, are seeded to meet on the all-transparent perspex court specially erected in Brunel's historic rail terminus at Temple Meads station for next Thursday's finals.

Briars and Kenyon have so far shared five British titles and unsuccessfully contested several more. Splendid and adaptable players as they are, the return of these two familiar figures to the *main platform at Bristol's* old statio is no more assured than the punctual appearance of the 7.27 from London.

Williams has made a startling recovery after microsurgery and refuses to concede lightly either the £2,500 top prize or the free first-class rail travel bonus which could be worth another £5,000 to a busy squash professional.

**SEEDINGS:** Men: 1, J Briars (Norfolk); 2, P Kenyon (Lancs); 3, G Williams (Sussex); 4, J Hickox (Surrey); 5, D Pearson (Lancs); 6, A Naylor (Yorkshire); 7, B Beeson (Northumbria); 8, M Bodimeade (Berkshire). Women: 1, M Le Moignan (Hampshire); 2, L Opie (Nottinghamshire); 3, L Soutter (Gloucestershire); 4, A Cumings (Surrey); 5, H Wallace (Scotland); 6, A Smith (Staffordshire); 7, S Burgess (Yorkshire); 8, R Strauss (Essex).

IN BRIEF

## Renault stay with Ligier

Renault have agreed to supply its grand prix engines to the French Ligier team for the 1986 season. Renault, who are state-owned, had been under heavy pressure from Alaine Calmat, the French sports minister, and Jean-Marie Balestre, the president of the French and International Sports Federation, to renew the contract on reasonable terms.

With Renault having withdrawn its own team, Ligier are currently the only French grand prix team. Renault remain under contract to *supply the rival British teams*, Lotus and Tyrrell.

**ROWING:** The British coxless pair, Martin Cross and Adam Clift, who won a silver medal in this year's world championships, have each received training grants from the Sports Aid Foundation (Jim Railton writes). Cross receives £4,000 and the unemployed Clift has been awarded £4,500.

**YACHTING:** The Royal Yacht Club, defenders of the America's Cup, have announced that the international jury appointed to resolve racing disputes in the next challenge, to be held off Freemantle, Western Australia in 1987, will comprise the following: Ken Ryan (Ireland, chairman), Goran Petersson (Sweden), Hans-Kurt Anderson (Denmark), Reg Maynard (Hongkong), and Levente Nagy (Hungary) (John Nicholls writes). None of the jury members represent a country that has challenged for the cup.

## FOR THE RECORD

### BASKETBALL

**UNITED STATES:** National Basketball Association: Philadelphia 76ers 105, Indiana Pacers 97; San Antonio Spurs 81, Washington Bullets 80; Detroit Pistons 122, Chicago Bulls 105; Portland Trail Blazers 111, Dallas Mavericks 109; Atlanta Hawks 114, Phoenix Suns 106; Golden State Warriors 105, Seattle Supersonics 101.
**KORAC CUP:** Second round, second leg: Partizan Belgrade bt DTV Charlottenburg (WG) 129-77 (Partizan win 225-168 on aggregate); Yugoslavia KK Zadar bt Panionios (Gr) 92-73 (Zadar win 189-151 on aggregate); Antibes Olympique bt SSV Hagen (WG) 58-65 (first leg void, defective backboard holding basket; Antibes qualify); Torino Cucine Berloni bt Spartak Pleven (Bul) 101-88 (Torino win 197-178 on aggregate); Juventus Caserta bt Steiner-Optik Bayreuth 87-68 (Juventus win 173-149 on aggregate); Villeurbanne (Fr) drew with Alva Vitoria 88-88 (Villerbanne win 182-172 on aggregate).
**RONCHETTI CUP:** Second round, second leg: Jedinstvo-Aida Tuzla (Yug) bt DFS Maritza Plovdiv (Bul) 81-72 (Tuzla win 158-152 on aggregate); Vozdovac Belgrade bt ASPTT D'Aix-en-Provence 87-61 (Vozdovac win 164-130 on aggregate); Jezika Ljubljana bt Sporting Luxembourg 93-67 (Ljubljana win 200-108 on aggregate); Villeurbanne (Fr) bt Schio Lanerossi (It) 72-59 (Schio win 138-137 on aggregate).

### ICE HOCKEY

**NORTH AMERICA:** National Hockey League: Los Angeles Kings 4, Edmonton Oilers 4; Philadelphia Flyers 5, New York Rangers 2; Detroit Red Wings 4, St Louis Blues 2; Calgary Flames 5, New Jersey Devils 2; Washington Capitals 4, Pittsburgh Penguins 1; Buffalo Sabres 7, Winnipeg Jets 3; New York Islanders 5, Toronto Maple Leafs 4; Minnesota North Stars 3, Montreal Canadiens 3.
**NORWICH UNION CUP:** English final, first leg: Nottingham 6, Durham 5.

### TENNIS

**STOCKHOLM:** 1st round: J McEnroe (US) bt R Krishnan (India) 6-4, 7-6; J Rodriguez (SP) bt H Leconte (Fr) 7-5, 4-1 ret; J Hlasek (Switz) bt H Gunthardt (Switz) 6-2, 6-2. 2nd Round: J Nystrom (Swe) bt M Leach (US) 6-3, 6-2; P Lundgren (Swe) bt S Davis (US) 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.
**LARGO, FLORIDA:** Second round (all US): L Bonder bt B Gadusek 3-6, 6-1, 6-1; A White bt P Louie 6-3, 6-2; P Casale bt T Phelps 6-4, 7-6; S Rehe bt M Piatek 7-5, 6-2; M Torres bt A Holton 6-1, 6-1.
**LOOSDRECHT:** Dutch women's open championships: First round: V Ruzici (Rom) bt P Keppeler (WG) 6-2, 6-4; K Maleeva (Bul) bt S Goles (Yug) 6-4, 6-4; Z Garrison (US) bt K Schaefer (US) 6-1, 6-7, 6-0; N Herreman (Fr) bt C Bakkum (Neth) 6-2, 6-2.
**PETERBOROUGH:** LTA women's indoors tournament: Semi-finals: N Bolzikova (CZ) bt C Singer (WG) 4-6, 7-6, 6-2; C Dahlman (Swe) bt C Porwik (WG) 7-5, 6-1.

### SQUASH RACKETS

**LONDONDERRY CUP:** First round: Whitgift bt Wellington 5-0.

### SNOOKER

**BIRMINGHAM:** Hofmeister world doubles championship: qualifying round: D Fowler and B West bt R Chaperon and M Gauvreau (Can) 5-4; J Donnelly and C Roscoe bt J Hargreaves and P Burke 5-4; J Bear (Can) and L Dodd bt M Morra and J Wych (Can) 5-1. First round: S Davis and A Meo bt R Williams and G Miles 5-2; A Knowles and J Johnson bt T Murphy and P Fagan 5-2; R Reardon and T Jones bt G Cripsey and G Wilkinson (Aus) 5-3; E Hughes and M Smith bt J Rea and E McLaughlin 5-4.
**BLACKPOOL:** World amateur championship: Group A: J Allan (Scot) bt I Adam (Mauritius) 4-0; K Irwin (Ire) bt P Mifsud (Malta) 4-2; G Lackenby (Aus) bt Allan 4-3. Group B: T Whitthead (Eng) bt S Sawant (India) 4-0; H Botaju (Sri Lanka) bt P Rivet (Mauritius) 4-0; Whitthead bt P Reynolds (Io'M) 4-0. Group C: J Grech (Malta) bt L Bux (Pak) 4-0; K Sirisoma (Sri Lanka) bt H Ramje (Kenya) 4-1; M Sobala (Can) bt H Bakhaty (Egypt) 4-3; D John (Wales) bt J Wattana (Thai) 4-1. Group D: B Bjorkman (Swe) bt S Pavis (Ire) 4-1; K Fridthjofsson (Ice) wo J Wright (Eng) scr; M Bennett (Wales) bt D Barron (Zim) 4-1

### VOLLEYBALL

ROYAL BANK ENGLISH LEAGUE

| Men's first division | P | W | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Speedwell Ruc | 7 | 7 | 0 | 21 | 1 | 14 |
| Leeds | 9 | 6 | 3 | 21 | 11 | 12 |
| Malory | 10 | 5 | 1 | 17 | 8 | 10 |
| Capital C Brixton | 6 | 5 | 1 | 17 | 6 | 10 |
| Polonia | 5 | 5 | 0 | 15 | 6 | 10 |
| Weymouth Remb | 9 | 4 | 5 | 13 | 20 | 8 |
| Spark Creek Log | 8 | 3 | 5 | 15 | 17 | 6 |
| Redwood Lodge | 7 | 3 | 4 | 14 | 15 | 6 |
| Liverpool City | 6 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 13 | 6 |
| Newcastle | 8 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 21 | 4 |
| OBC Poole | 7 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 20 | 2 |
| Liverpool | 8 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 22 | 2 |

| Women's first Division | P | W | L | F | A | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Spark | 5 | 5 | 0 | 15 | 2 | 10 |
| Ashcombe | 5 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 5 | 8 |
| Bradford Mythbre | 5 | 4 | 1 | 12 | 5 | 8 |
| Sale | 5 | 4 | 1 | 12 | 6 | 8 |
| Britannia | 5 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 7 | 6 |
| Portsmouth All | 6 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 13 | 4 |
| Birmingham PPG | 6 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 4 |
| Greenwich | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 13 | 4 |
| Speedwell Ruc | 6 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 15 | 2 |
| Colchester | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 15 | 0 |

### FOOTBALL

**SPANISH CUP:** Second round, second leg: Celta 1, Orense 0 (1-0); Sporting 3, Siero 1 (4-1); Alaves 2, Racing 2 (2-3); Español 2, Figueras 0 (4-2); Valencia 2, Alcoyano 1 (8-2); Real Valladolid 3, Ponferradina 0 (5-1); Cadiz 1, Jerez 3 (2-4); Sevilla 4, Linense 1 (4-3); Las Palmas 3, Maspalomas 0 (7-1).

FOOTBALL: SCOTTISH TEAMS LEARN VALUABLE LESSONS IN EUROPE

## Dangerous game for Aberdeen to play

**By Hugh Taylor**

Alex Ferguson was still so involved yesterday in heaving sighs of relief that he could not be drawn on his preference of opponents for Aberdeen in the quarter-finals of the European Cup.

Having suffered agonies as he watched his team flirt with disaster *before beating Servette, of Switzerland*, 1-0 at Pittodrie, the manager would merely say: "It doesn't matter whether we face Juventus, Barcelona or Bayern Munich. We will not meet a better team than Servette. Their second-half performance was the finest ever presented by a European side here."

The Scottish champions were so surprised by the brilliant attacking of the Swiss that they lost their rhythm and were saved from what would have been humiliating defeat only by the finishing of the visitors, which was appalling.

Criticizing Aberdeen for "making practically every mistake in the book", Ferguson admitted that Servette had at least provided the Scots with a lesson on how away legs of European ties should be played. "Servette put the accent on width, with two wingers raiding swiftly, and that is now the right way to play these ties."

Although Aberdeen were outplayed for most of a lively game, McDougall took advantage of a fine chance made by Weir, that old-fashioned winger who was Aberdeen's best player, to give Servette a hint on how to score.

Dundee United drew 1–1 away with the cynical Vardar Skopje to enhance their European reputation, going through on a 3–1 aggregate to the next round of the UEFA Cup. Hegarty, an inspiring captain, gave United the early goal they wanted and their vast experience of the shadier side of continental fixtures enabled them to hold at bay for most of the match opponents who played sharp football and indulged in the even sharper practice of attempting to delude the referee *with diving in the penalty area*.

Jim McLean, the sombre United Manager, wore a smile after the game, saying: "For once I am a happy man. Ours was a team effort of the highest calibre."

It was impossible to console Alex Miller, the manager of St Mirren, who suffered a devastating defeat, knocked out of the UEFA Cup by Hammarby, of Sweden, who scored two goals in the last three minutes. "I am still shattered", was all the unfortunate Miller, who had held such high hopes for his side, could say after the Saints had been defeated 2–1 at Love Street, going out 5–4 on aggregate.

The defeat was all the more bitter because St Mirren had scored three goals in the away leg. Their experience was costly. "It was suicide and we just threw the game away", Miller said. "I want to apologize to our supporters who played their part so well. We didn't."

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Weir (left) and Hegarty: guiding lights for Aberdeen and Dundee United

## Dixon hits jackpot for Chelsea

**By Stuart Jones Football Correspondent**

The Milk Cup, which offers the most attractive team prize in British sport, is losing its public appeal. The timing could not be worse since the National Dairy Council, who have poured more than £2 million into the event over the past three years, have already anounced that they will not renew their sponsorship next season.

Although the Football League have talked to several companies who are interested in donatinfg their financial support, a spokesman said yesterday that they were only "fairly confident" of reaching agreement before next season. In deference to the National Dairy Council, negotiations will not be concluded before this year's final on Sunday, April 20.

The League can put one ace on the table which was not available before the current deal. Two years ago to the delight of the National Dairy Council, the television companies committed themselves to showing the final live until 1987. Yet the statistics covering recent attendances will strengthen the hand of the potential sponsors.

Gates have dropped during each round so far, by an average of a mere 140 spectators in the first, by over 2,000 in the second, and by almost 3,000 in the third which was completed on Wednesday night. More significantly, the total is some 290,000 down on last season's respective figure.

Several fourth round ties promise to draw large audiences later this month, notably at Anfield and Stamford Bridge. But the average crowd at the eight matches would have to be well over 60,000 (twice the biggest so far, 32,056 for Manchester United's win over West Ham United last week), if the overall decline is to be halted. United's visit to Liverpool may yet be watched by 90,000 viewers but half of them will have gone through turnstiles 60 miles away at Old Trafford. The two clubs are to discuss whether the game that overshadows the other seven, and is to be staged a week later, can be relayed live on appropriately giant screens.

The sponsors will have been relieved that the other leading clubs all survived on Wednesday. If Niedzwiecki, for instance, had not saved a penalty as well as Chelsea on at least five other occasions, Everton would have been performing within the relatively small confines of Fulham's Craven Cottage rather than the more spacious Stamford Bridge.

Dixon's lone winner was worth far more than the other 10 goals he has scored this season. Apart from guaranteeing Chelsea at least £18,000, the ample compensation that is received by the losers in the fifth round, his club will collect substantial receipts for the visit of the reigning champions, who lost 2-1 there, last month.

If Hoddle had not recovered from injury and created Tottenham Hotspur's two decisive openings for Mabbutt and Leworthy, Portsmouth might also have been performing inside a humble and sparsely populated arena. Now, instead of going to Wimbledon's Plough Lane, the second division leaders will present their challenge at White Hart Lane.

Southampton, for whom Armstrong scored twice and then missed a penalty in the 3-0 win over Birmingham City, gained the right to take on Arsenal at Highbury. They went there for their opening mid week fixture and, in front of a sizeable crowd of almost 22,000, went down, 3-2. Armstrong claimed a brace then, as well.

The Midlands derby, to be hosted by Aston Villa, will feature West Bromwich Albion, whose replay against Coventry City was midway through the first half heading for the record books. The first five goals came at a rate of one every four minutes. After the storm had died, Hunt emerged with the winner just after the hour.

**FOURTH ROUND DRAW:** Arsenal v Southampton; Aston Villa v West Bromwich Albion; Chelsea v Everton; Ipswich Town v *Swindon Town*; Liverpool v Manchester United; Oxford United v Norwich City; Queen's Park Rangers v Nottingham Forest; Tottenham Hotspur v Portsmouth. Ties to be played during the week beginning November 18.

Counting the cost of League reconstruction

## Chance for drop-outs to prosper

***Football League chairmen meet in London next Tuesday to discuss a radical restructuring of their organization. Several leading clubs have aready threatened to form their own "super league" unless they get a bigger share of the game's financial rewards. To meet that threat, next week's meeting will discuss streamlining the League into three smaller divisions and putting the remaining 28clubs into an intermediate league with clubs form the Gola League. PAUL NEWMAN investigates what the future would hae in store for the 28 "relegated" clubs.***

**When Barrow were voted out of the Football League 13 years ago they had substantial debts, a decaying ground and nowhere to go. "We were just cast aside", Bill McCullough, their chairman, said this week. "All our sources of income were suddenly cut off and we didn't have a clue how we were going to survive".**

**The Cumbrian club were eventually admitted into the Northern Premier League and since then they have advanced into the Gola League, the pinnacle of the non-League game. Their stadium is tidy and well-kept and incorporates a social club and a new sports centre, both of which they own. Most important of all, they are breaking even.**

**"Leaving the Football League was good for Barrow", Mr McCullough said. "In the early days we had to work tremendously hard to pay off our debts, but once we had got on top of them we were left with a tightly-organized club and a good fund-raising operation which enabled us to make all the improvements. Had we still been in the Football League, all that money would have been swallowed up in day-to-day running costs".**

**The greatest saving Barrow has made has been in wages. They no longer employ professional players and the annual wage bill for their present squad of part-timers is little more than £30,000. A difference in playing standards between the Gola League and the fourth division is inevitable, but not substantial. The FA Cup performances in recent years of Telford United, Altrincham and Enfield have shown that the best semi-professional sides can more than match their fourth division counterparts.**

**If the proposed intermediate league does come about, the Football League clubs involved will probably have to compete on financial terms similar to those currently experienced by Gola League clubs, although none will have to go through the trauma suffered by Barrow. The lifeline of Football League funds is likely to be cut away in stages over a period of years and clubs will have time to prepare for their new status. Their numbers will provided collective strength when they seek agreements with sponsors and pools companies.**

**Above all, it seems certain there will be a system of automatic promotion into the Football League. When Barrow tried to get back in 12 months after losing their place, they failed to poll a single vote under the present election system.**

### Liabilities greater than assets

**The clubs will have to undertake a thorough reappraisal of their financial structure. Membership of the Football League automatically entitles clubs to an annual hand-out of £100,000, of which £50,000 comes from levies on gate reciepts, £25,000 from the pools companies and a similar sum from television, although this has not been paid this season because of the continuing dispute with the TV companies. In addition, Canon's sponsorship currently provides clubs with an average of £13,000 each per year.**

**Gola clubs receive only £2,000 each from the pools companies and an average of £4,000 each from the league's sponsors. Yet their financial performances frequently match or better those of the Football League clubs.**

**A survey* published in the summer by a business information company showed that, according to the latest figures, half the clubs in the League are trading with liabilities greater than their assets. Seventeen of them are in the fourth division, where annual wage bills, averaging £238,000, frequently account for more than three-quarters *of a club's turnover*.**

**In the Gola League, wage bills vary substantially from club to club. Some players earn up to £200 a week, others only £20. Overall figures are not available, but the average wage bill is probably less than a quarter of that in the fourth division.**

**Through necessity, most Gola clubs have been highly successful off the field. Jim Thompson, the league's chairman, said: "I think we have probably been more aggressive than Football League clubs in our thinking because we haven't had the annual money from the League that they have."**

**At the last count, all but two of the Gola League's 22 clubs had a sponsor. Social clubs and lotteries provide regular income. Dagenham's bar takings amount to £250,000 a year; Weymouth's fund-raising activities made a profit last year of more than £100,000.**

**Stadiums are put to good use throughout the week. Maidstone United have a greyhound track, squash courts and a restaurant, Runcorn stage Rugby League, Wealdstone have a gymnasium and Dartford have a snooker hall.**

**Attendances have remained at reasonable levels – last year's average was 809 – and have increased at some clubs, but rarely to the extent of significantly altering the annual balance sheet. At Barrow, for example, running costs amount to nearly £2,000 a week and gate money *provides little more than* a quarter of that sum.**

**Although some Gola clubs have had financial problems – Nuneaton Borough, Kettering Town and Northwich Victoria have all gone to the brink of closeure in recent years – most have coped well in the difficult economic climate, and some have prospered. Boston United, despite little success on the field, have run lottery schemes so profitably that they have built three cantilever stands and covered all sides of their ground at a cost of £500,000.**

**"There is life outside the Football League, although we didn't believe it at Barrow 13 years ago", Mr McCullough said. "Semi-professional football is better organized than it has ever been and this is the way football in the lower reaches of the Football League has to go. The time is right for change".**

**A Survey of Football League Clubs*, published by Jordan Information Services.

## RESULTS FROM WEDNESDAY

**EUROPEAN CUP:** Second round, second leg: Aberdeen 1, Servette 0 (agg 1-0); Omonia Nicosia 1, Anderlecht 3 (agg 1-4); Austria Vienna 3, Bayern Munich 3 (agg 5-7); Steaua Bucharest 4, Honved Budapest 1 (agg 4-2); Fenerbahce 2, Göteborg 1 (agg 2-5); Juventus 2, Verona 0 (agg 2-0); Kuusysi Lahti (Fin) 3, Zenit Leningrad 1 (aet: agg 4-3: score at 90 mins 2-1).
**CUP WINNERS' CUP** Second round, second leg: Atlético Madrid 1, Bangor City 0 (agg 3-0); AIK Stockholm 2, Dukla Prague 2 (agg 2-3); Fram Reykjavik 2, Rapid Vienna 1 (agg 2-4); Dynamo Kiev 3, Universitatea Craiova (Rom) 0 (agg 5-2); Dynamo Dresden 7, HJK Helsinki 2 (agg 7-3); Sampdoria 1, Benfica 0 (agg 1-2). Red Star v Lyngby (Den), postponed.
**UEFA CUP:** Second round, second leg: St Mirren 1, Hammarby 2 (agg 4-5); Vardar Skopje 1, Dundee United 1 (agg 1-3); Dnepr Dnepropetrovsk 1, PSV Eindhoven 0 (agg 3-2); Osasuna Pamplona (Sp) 2, Waregem (Bel) 1 (agg 2-3); Lokomotiv Leipzig 3, AC Milan 1 (agg 3-3 AC Milan win on away goals); Nantes 4, Partizan Belgrade 0 (agg 5-1); Internazionale 4, LASK Linz (Austria) 0 (agg 4-1); FC Bruges 1, Spartak Moscow 3 (agg 1-4); Odessa 0, Real Madrid 0 (agg 1-2); Legia Warsaw 1, Videoton (Hun) 1 (agg 2-1); Borussia Mönchengladbach 5, Sparta Rotterdam 1 (agg 6-2); Neuchatel Xamax (Switz) 0, Lokomotiv Sofia 0 (agg 1-1: Neuchatel win on away goals); Athletic Bilbao 3, FC Liegé 1 (agg 4-1); Hajduk Split 3, Torino 1 (agg 4-2); Bohemians Prague 2, Cologne 4 (agg 2-8); Sporting Lisbon 1, Dynamo Tirana (Alb) 0 (agg 1-0).
**MILK CUP:** Third round replays: Fulham 0 Chelsea 1; Southampton 3, Birmingham 0; West Bromwich Albion 4, Coventry City 3. Third round: Tottenham 2, Wimbledon 0 (Tottenham at home to Portsmouth). **THIRD DIVISION:** Lincoln City 1, Bristol City 1; Newport County 1, York City 1; Reading 3, Notts County 1; Rotherham United 1, Gillingham 1; Brentford 3, Derby County 3. **FOURTH DIVISION:** Chester City 4, Colchester United 0; Hartlepool United 2, Aldershot 1; Hereford United 1, Port Vale 1; Peterborough United 1, Wrexham 1; Swindon Town 1, Cambridge United 0; Torquay United 2, Southend United 2. **FULL MEMBERS' CUP:** Semi-final, southern section: Stoke City 0, Oxford United 1.
**SCREEN SPORT SUPER CUP:** Manchester United 1, Norwich City 1.
**GOLA LEAGUE:** Bob Lord Trophy: Second round, first leg: Barnet 1, Bath 1; Cheltenham 2, Maidstone 3; Frickley 4, Telford 0; Scarborough 3, Altrincham 2; Wealdstone 1, Weymouth 1.
**MULTIPART LEAGUE:** Goole 2, Matlock 0; Morecambe 0, Marine 0; South Liverpool 1, Southport 2; Workington 0, Norwich 0.
**FOOTBALL COMBINATION:** Brighton 5, Oxford 3.
**FA TROPHY:** Second qualifying round replays: Bridgend 3, RS Southampton 0; Shepshed 5, Gainsborough 1; VS Rugby 4, Basildon 0; Waterlooville 3, Fareham 2.
**EAST ANGLIAN CUP:** First round: King's Lynn 1, Cambridge City 0.
**VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE:** Premier division: Slough 0, Harrow 0. Second division south: Woking 1, Southwick 0.
**SOUTHERN LEAGUE:** Southern division: Burnham and Hillingdon 0, Chatham 0.
**SUSSEX SENIOR CUP:** Second round: Worthing 3, Crawley 2.

### RUGBY UNION

**THORN EMI COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP:** Midland Group: Semi-finals: North Midlands 4, Warwickshire 48; Leicestershire 26, Notts, Lincs and Derbys 9.
**CLUB MATCHES:** Cardiff 44, Oxford University 7; Cheltenham 3, Glamorgan Wanderers 18; Cross Keys 9, Pontypool 19; Gloucester 15, South Wales Police 14; Newport 12, Pontypridd 14; Orrell 28, Halifax 12; Roundhay 9, Headingley 10; Bath v Maesteg, cancelled. **UAU CHAMPIONSHIP:** University College London 48, City University 9; Bradford 3, Sheffield 13.

## £9m bid for FA Cup is rejected

The Football Association have turned down a £9m offer for sponsorship of the FA Cup.

Bert Millichip, the FA chairman, revealed yesterday that he had rejected the bid for the first sponsorship of the 114-year-old knockout trophy. But he hinted that FA resistance to sponsorship of the competition may be about to crumble, even though he is personally opposed to it.

The FA Council will discuss the situation in a fortnight and if they go ahead the deal would be the biggest sponsorship in sports history. Millichip said: "People want to sponsor the FA Cup and I have already thrown a £9 million offer out of the window – what we are talking about is big money over a period of years. When it happens it will be the biggest sponsorship in sports history."

Millichip added: "I do not think the time will be far away before we do get a sponsor even though I am totally against it as I believe the FA Cup is sacrosanct, with the old amateur spirit dominating. But we might have to chage our views and I could not rule out the possibility of it happening next season.

## Reluctant Dixey

**Non-League football**
**by Paul Newman**

Richard Dixey, who is in his second spell this year as caretaker-manager of Nuneaton Borough, has told the Gola League club that he does not want the job on a permanent basis. Nuneaton have not been beaten in seven matches under the charge of their club captain, but at the age of 29 he does not want to go into management yet.

Dixey took temporary control last week after the departure of Peter Morris, who had been at Manor Park for only five months. Nuneaton had won only three league games this season and were second to bottom in the table. Noel Kelly, the chairman, said yesterday that he hopes to appoint a manager in time to take charge of the team for the FA Cup first round tie at home to Burnley next week.

Another caretaker-manager, Tony Jennings of Dagenham, has accepted an offer to full the post on a permanent basis. His predecessor Ken Knighton, resigned because of business commitments outside the game.

Eddie Gray, the former Leeds United manager, has joined Whitby Town as a player. The Drybroughs Northern League club's manager is David Harvey, the former Leeds goalkeeper. Gray mak his debut for Whitby tomorrow away to Hartlepool United's reserve team.

● Graham Abel, a central defender, has joined Chester City from Northwich Victoria for a four-figure fee.

● The former Watford player Trevor How, now club captain at Harrow Borough, has been appointed assistant to the manager, Keith Chamberlin. He made 91 League appearances for Watford and also played for Aylesbury, in the Southern League.

RUGBY UNION

## Fiji make changes for Wales match

**By David Hands**
**Rugby Correspondent**

The Fijians have made three changes, one of them positional, from the side that nearly beat Ireland to that which will play Wales at Cardiff tomorrow. For the final game of the tour they have switched Damu, their goalkicking wing, to full back, brought in Nabati on the right wing, and Volavola at prop.

Volavola has played in the touring side's last four games, during which their improved scrummaging has been maintained, though not to the standard which should embarrass Wales. Nabati collected two tries in the victory over Swansea and another against Connacht, and is possessed of considerable pace.

He takes the place previously occupied by Damu, who is required at full back because Turuva has a haematoma. That is unfortuate because Turuva, besides having a cricketer's hands, is an elusive runner; he played against Llanelli on Tuesday with is leg heavily strapped and evidently the injury has got the better of him. However, Huges (lock) and Rakai (hooker) have recovered sufficiently to take their places in the side.

Selection against Wales means that Gale, the flanker, will have appeared in all 10 matches on tour. He was a replacement on Tuesday for Finau, who will himself have appeared in nine games, like Teleni, the captain, and Niuqila, the stand-off half.

Certain players have proved of immense value to the Fijians on this visit: those four, together with Nawalu, the scrum half, Laulau, the most experienced back in the party, and Tuvula, the chunky wing. What is to say, the back row who have worked so hard tackling and covering, the half backs, who have turned half chances into whole ones, and the speedy wings who, given the opportunity, have scored such spectacular tries.

**TEAM:** J Damu; M Nabati, S Laulau, T Cama, S Tuvula; A Niuqila, P Nawalu; P Volavola, E Rakai, R Namoro, I Finau, K Rakoroi, A Hughes, P Gale, E Teleni (captain).

## Enforcing the fair play code

**By Gerald Davies**

Were it not so serious, there is a comic aspect to the fact that the Gwent police have had to be called to make inquiries into a rugby match, an essentially frivolous passtime in which grown men spend their spare hours chasing, ultimately rather aimlessly, after a funny-shaped leather ball.

But it is no laughing matter. In a match against Pontypool the Newbridge lock, Chris Jarman, was struck in the face and had to spend the night in hospital with concussion. After the incident a complaint against the Pontypool scrum-half, David Bishop, was registered at Risca police station, and the Newbridge club are supporting it.

Jarman's mother in a letter published in a Welsh newspaper, shows little bitterness or anger but makes a heart-rending plea for "sanity to be restored to the game". After witnessing the incident at Pontypool Park when, she said, she watched her son "unconscious like a rag doll", she asks: "Why should it be that every time a man runs on the rugby field he should have to live in fear that he is going to sustanin injury from a kick or punch that might maim him for life from another player who is unable to control his temper?"

If the ultimate responsibility will lie with the Welsh Rugby Union, the buck should not be passed so easily to them. Also, while referees can well be told to take stricter action, the immediate responsibility does not lie there, either. To transfer it to them is several steps removed from those whose immediate duty it is to ensure that the appropriate conduct is observed.

A player undertakes an obligation to play according to acceptable standards of behaviour, but if he is incapable of sufficient discipline he should not play. In a body-contact game such as rugby, there is plenty of scope for misrepresentation as it is. It is difficult to avoid the accidentally misplaced elbow in the lineout, for instance: easy, too, to misinterpret the intention. The occasional tantrum is also an inevitable by-product.

A *responsibility rests on the* captain's shoulders, too. He is elected presumably because of his leadership qualities and has a duty not only to determine the style and tactical pattern of his team's game, but also to ensure the discipline of his players.

The selection committee or the general committee of the club are likely to be more aware than anyone else of the frequent offender whose conduct will bring the game and the club into disrepurt. It is the duty of everyone at these various stages to stop a malevolent player playing.

Pontypool, whatever the viwes of their style of play, are generally a well disiplined team. Referees say as much. Yet as a club their reputation now is likely to suffer as a result of the present furore. For the game as a whole it could have damaging consequences.

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HORSE TRIALS

## Holgate's reward

Virginia Holgate, the European three-day event champion has won, for the second year in succession, the trophy for the Equestrian Personality of the Year, awarded annually by the British Equestrian Writers' Association (Jenny MacArthur writes). The Vivien Batchelor Trophy for the outstanding young rider of the year has been won by Alexandra Ramus, aged 18, who was a member of the junior three-*day event gold medal team on Spy* Story II.

Miss Holgate, riding British National Life Assurance's Priceless and Night Cap, has won most of Britain's major national events this year, including Badminton (Priceless), the British National Championship at Locko Park (Night Cap), the Scottish National Championship at Thirlestane (Night Cap) and Burghley (Priceless)

# Everett to defy big weight and complete swift treble

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Following those fluent victories on firm ground at Kempton and Ascot, EVERETT is now napped to win the Allied Dunbar Handicap Chase at Cheltenham today when the entire programme has been sponsored to help raise money for the Spinal Injuries Association.

First time out Everett trounced Duke of Milan at Kempton. Then he proceeded to beat Fethard Friend decisively at Ascot. Even allowing for the possibility that Duke of Milan might not have been quite himself that day that initial performance from Everett was still full of merit, bearing in mind the way that his victim won next time out at Sandown.

To some Everett may not look the most fluent of jumpers yet the fact remains he has won two chases at Cheltenham where the fences are as stiff as any in the land. So on ground that he clearly relishes, and that is a major factor during this prolonged dry spell, he should be very hard to beat this afternoon even carrying 12st.

In contrast, I believe that that good hunter Elmboy, who won the Foxhunters Challenge Cup so well here in March, would be much happier if there were more give underfoot.

Elmboy certainly looked ill at ease on firm ground at Sandown in the spring. Burnt Oak, an old favourite of this column, who loves nothing better than to blaze the trail, is sure to set a blistering gallop. But that will serve only to bring the best out of Everett, who is so well endowed with stamina.

James Mead and Nohalmdun, two of the better recruits to hurdling last season, have been declared to start afresh in the British Beef Company Hurdle against Nebris, who has already shown his well being this season both at Chepstow, where he won the Free Handicap Hurdle easily, and again at Newbury, where he did not win, but probably should have done. On their seasonal debuts neither Jamesmead nor Nohalmdun will fail for lack of fitness. Both have run on the Flat recently. When finishing second in the Tote Cesarewitch Jamesmead acquitted himself with the greater distinction and I expect him to prove hard to beat this afternoon.

Last season Voice of Progress arguably ran his best race first time out when he finished a close third behind Observe at Newbury. Fresh again after his summer's break, he should go well in the John Seyfriend Mickleton Chase without, perhaps, being able to give 17lb to ADMIRAL'S CUP.

There is also jumping to be found today at Bangor where the clash between The Langholm Dyer and A Sure Row in the Jones and Son Auctioneer Novices Chase is likely to have everyone on the tip of their toes. The winner of his only race so far over fences by 25 lengths The Langholm Dyer will certainly take some catching but I go for A SURE ROW from Monica Dickinson's yard. He had pretty good form over hurdles last season

At Doncaster PHILPRIDE is fancied to follow that victory in the Marathon Handicap at Newmarket eight days ago with another in the Howson-Algraphy Printing Plates Handicap. While conceding that the ease with which Philpride eventually won at Newmarket was partially attributable to the fact that his jockey, John Lowe, managed to slip his field, headed by Kayudee on whom the champion jockey Steve Cauthen rode one of his few bad races, I still feel that Jerry Can, Purns Mill, Tom Sharpe, Path's Sister and Relekto will find him hard to catch again.

## Racing bids farewell to respected senior jockey at end of distinguished career

# Mercer the master sets fine example

The Torrent of tributes that swept Lester Piggott into retirement inevitably left even Joe Mercer, OBE, the elder statesman of our jockeys somewhat high and dried as far as the floating of his own departure at Doncaster tomorrow is concerned.

Obviously, this has a lot to do with the fact that Piggott's charisma and less-than-saintly image have imbued him with superstar quality, while the phlegmatic solid, irreproachable Mercer has seemed almost boringly straightforward by comparison.

Yet there are those within racing who believe that although Mercer may lack the intuitive "on off" genius of Piggott, when it comes to style and example, both in and out of the saddle, it is Mercer who will prove the greater loss to the sport.

In the saddle, Mercer's style has long been recognized as the definitive, authorised version of the art of jockeyship: a paradigm for young jockeys to follow. Jimmy Lindley, the former top jockey turned commentator and a lifelong friend of Mercer says: "Joe didn't come from a horsey background, but he was a complete and utter natural. He is in the perfect mould of a jockey – short of leg with a well-developed torso. He has a copybook style and is the ultimate professional."

Piggott, in a rare moment of garrulousness on the day of his retirement, stated: "Joe is a perfect example for youngsters coming up. If they copy me they will break their necks. It's Joe they should follow."

There are no frills or frippery with Mercer. Unlike some jockeys who sit and wait and produce their mounts with the cheekiest of late flourishes, all in the cause of looking good, the Mercer method of race riding is uncomplicated in the extreme. It is, therefore, far less liable to hitches. "Joe has never lost a race for me that he should have won", Peter Walwyn, Mercer's present employer, says.

A typical Mercer winner is ideally placed in the early part of a race, kicked into the lead with a furlong or more left to run and made to assert its authority to the full as Mercer, head down, drives for home with that marvellous, rhythmic flowing action.

Mercer reflecting on a riding career spanning 38 years

Out of the saddle, Mercer comes across as a man of charm and total integrity. If he were a bookmaker you feel he would be entitled with impunity to trade under the name "Honest Joe".

Mercer's craggy, weather-etched face with the ever-present pipe clenched between his teeth ("I'd love to ride a winner with a pipe in my mouth") he chuckles. ("Perhaps, I'll smuggle one down to the start in my boot at Doncaster") looks every bit as "lived in" as Piggott's. Yet it conceals an engaging, warm-hearted family man who would far rather stay at home with his children than celebrate a famous victory in racing's traditionally ostentatious manner.

He is very much an avuncular figure in the weighing room, with young riders always seeking and readily receiving his advice.

Mercer was born one of nine children in Bradford where his father was a coach painter and his mother ran a tripe-shop. it was an unfulfilled yearning to be a jockey that prompted Mercer senior to send first Manny, Joe's elder brother, and then Joe to racing stables to be indentured as apprentices.

The career which was to bring more than 2,800 winners (he is fourth in the all-time list behind Sir Gordon Richards, Piggott, and Doug Smith) and eight classic victories began at the age of 13 with Major Fred Sneyd at East Manton under the sort of spartan regime where an unpolished stirrup iron would result in a hefty crack from the major's long tom.

The only hitch in the flowering of the precocious talent – he was champion apprentice twice and rode his first classic winner, Ambiguity, at 18, a year younger than Piggott – came when Manny was killed in a fall at Ascot at the age of 29. Mercer wanted to quit but, Harry Carr, his father-in-law, persuaded him to carry on.

Ironically, it was Carr who was to deprive Mercer of perhaps his best chance of winning the Derby when, riding Parthia in 1959, he sailed past his son-in-law on Fidalgo inside the last furlong.

Over the past four decades, riding first for Jack Colling, then Dick Hern, Henry Cecil – he won his only jockeys' championship when attached to Warren Place with 164 winners in 1979 – and Walwyn, Mercer has thrilled racegoers with his partnerships with outstanding horses. They have included Bustino, Kris, Song, One in a Million and the mightiest of them all, the indomitable Brigadier Gerard, winner of 17 of his 18 races.

It was a career that brought successes all over the world, the most memorable being his victory on the Queen's Highclere in the 1974 Prix de Diane (French Oaks), her majesty's only classic win abroad. The victory brought with it another glittering prize – dinner with the Queen at Windsor Castle.

At 51, it is not just the passing years that have crystallized a final decision on retirement; he is the fittest jockey around according to Walwyn. The worst of a series of falls in the late sixties left him with three broken vertebrae in his neck and the legacy of pain is getting worse every Flat season. "The body can only take so much", Mercer says.

Mercer and his wife, Anne, considered training but rejected it because it is a business where you have to stay open all hours. In any case Mercer has his finger in plenty of pies already. Potentially the most fruitful is his link-up with the brilliant young Australian jockey, Brent Thomson, whom he will be managing next season.

The subject of Manton and the fabulous new Robert Sangster training complex comes up. Would Mercer be tempted to put off retirement for a position such as first jockey to Michael Dickinson?

"No" he says without a moment's hesitation, "Wild horses wouldn't drag me back." You bet they wouldn't *drag* him. He would ride them in the masterly Mercer fashion that in its own way will be missed every bit as much as Piggott's famous posture.

**John Karter**

## CRICKET

# Sri Lanka under spell of Qadir

Karachi (Reuter) – Abdul Qadir, the Pakistan leg-spinner, exploited a turning pitch to take five for 44 and send Sri Lanka tumbling to 162 all out in the third and final Test here yesterday.

Qadir, finding enough help on the opening day to weave a spell of destruction in 20.5 overs, accelerated a Sri Lanka collapse after Waseem Akram and Imran Khan had made early inroads. Sri Lanka were all out seven minutes before the scheduled close.

Pakistan were without Zaheer Abbas, who intended to retire from Test cricket after the series in favour of a younger batsman, Rameez Raja. Amal Silva was dropped by Pakistan, Ravi Ratynayeke moving up to open the innings and Asanka Gurusinghe making his Test debut.

About 100 spectators in a corner of Karachi's national stadium chanted slogans against Imran Khan, claiming he was responsible for Zaheer's exclusion. Imran is to replace Javed Miandad as captain of Pakistan at the end of the series.

SRI LANKA: First Innings

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| S Wettimuny b Akram | 17 |
| J R Rathnayeke b Qadir | 36 |
| R S Madugalle l-b-w Akram | 6 |
| R L Dias c Yousuf b Imran | 1 |
| *L R D Mendis c Miandad b Qadir | 15 |
| A Ranatunga c Miandad b Tauseef | 12 |
| P A de Silva c and b Qadir | 13 |
| A P Gurusinghe l-b-w b Imran | 17 |
| A L F de Mel st Yousuf b Qadir | 8 |
| R J Ratnayake not out | 21 |
| R G C E Wijesuriya l-b-w b Qadir | 2 |
| Extras (b 5, l-b 10, w 1, n-b 3) | 19 |
| Total | 162 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-66, 3-80, 4-89, 5-90, 6-108, 7-122, 8-125, 9-151, 10-162.

BOWLING: Imran 20-9-35-2; Akram 14-7-17-2; Tauseef 22-10-50-1; Qadir 20.5-5-44-5.

PAKISTAN: Mudassar Nazar, Mohsin Khan, Qasim Omar, Javed Miandad, Rameez Raja, Salim Malik, Imran Khan, †Salim Yousuf, Abdul Qadir, Tauseef Ahmed, Waseem Akram.

● ISLAMABAD – Pakistan have named a 14-man squad for the triangular limited-overs tournament in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates later this month. Pakistan will meet West Indies in the first game on November 15. India will then play the losers of that match on November 17 and the winners on November 22.

SQUAD: Imran Khan (captain), Mudassar Nazar, Javed Miandad, Shoaib Mohammed, Mohsin Khan, Qasim Omar, Rameez Raja, Salim Malik, Abdul Qadir, Salim Yousuf, Mohsin Kamal, Waseem Akram, Tauseef Ahmed, Tahir Naqqash.

# Australia look to Lawson

Brisbane (Reuter) – Australia are relying on Geoff Lawson, their fast bowler, to recapture his peak form as they attempt to improve their Test fortunes in the three-match series against New Zealand starting here today.

Allan Border, the Australian captain, is confident Lawson can bounce back from his disappointing Test series in England. Lawson was Australia's second highest wicket-taker with 22 victims in the six Tests but they cost him an average of 37.72. He was plagued by illness and never seemed fully fit.

Australia have kept faith with those who took part in the Ashes series, while the only surprise in New Zealand's squad is the omission of all-rounder Lance Cairns.

Border is leading his country in a full home series for the first time since taking over from Kim Hughes nearly a year ago.

AUSTRALIA from: A M J Hilditch, K C Wessels, D C Boon, A R Border (captain), G M Ritchie, W B Phillips, G R J Matthews, S P O'Donnell, G F Lawson, C J McDermott, D R Gilbert, R G Holland.

NEW ZEALAND (from): A B Edgar, J G Wright, J F Reid, M D Crowe, J V Coney (captain), J J Crowe, V R Brown, I D S Smith, R J Hadlee, M C Snedden, S L Boock, E J Chatfield.

Lawson: expensive wicket

# Bradford threat

First class cricket may have to end at Bradford Park Avanue, the ground where Jim Laker took eight wickets for two runs in the 1950 test trial.

Yorkshire have played there for over 100 years and have three fixtures scheduled for 1986. But the trustees, faced with debts of £50,000 say unless the local council can come to their aid within the next few weeks there is every prospect the ground will have to close at the end of the year. They say current income is not enough to pay the salaries of the groundstaff and carry out necessary maintenance.

# Edgbaston vote

Warwickshire members are to debate a motion expressing "lack of confidence in the cricket committee and the coaching" at a special general meeting in December. The demand was first made in a petition by 60 members when Warwickshire finished 15th in last season's county championship. The cricket committee, which includes former Engalnd captains Mike Smaith and Bob Willis, has now agreed to open the debate to all members, probably on Monday, December 16.

● MCC have elected the following honorary life members: G S Chappell (Australia), R C Fredericks and A M E Roberts (West Indies), G M Turner (New Zealand), Asif Iqbal, Wasim Bari and Majid Khan (Pakistan), M J Proctor (South Africa).

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Third division

Cardiff v Doncaster (7.45)

Fourth division

Colchester United v Rochdale (7.30)

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Cardiff v Ebbw Vale (7.15); Neath v Bridgend (7.0)

OTHER SPORT

SQUASH RACKETS: Inter-City British championships (at Bristol)

SNOOKER: World Amateur Championship (at Blackpool)

BASKETBALL: Carlsberg National League: First division: Sparrings Solent Stars v Sharp Manchester United (8.0)

## CHELTENHAM (BBC)

[Televised: BBC1: 2.10, 2.45, 3.20. BBC2: 3.55]

Going: firm

### 1.0 COLN VALLEY FISH & GAME CO. AMATEUR RIDERS' NOVICE CHASE (£2,955: 3m) (5 runners)

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| 101 | 34311f | GOLD MEASURE (D) (BF) (N Bohemia) J Spearing 8-12-5 | T Thomson Jones |
| 103 | 44/0000 | BLACK ROD (A Baxter) N Mitchell 8-11-7 | T Mitchell |
| 105 | 00-20b2 | FINAL CLEAR (K Long) J Old 7-11-7 | C Llewellyn |
| 107 | 000u0 | JAPLING (B Arnold) J Thomas 7-11-7 | T Jones |
| 109 | 333000- | BORN BOSSY (T Bailey) T Bailey 7-11-2 | - |

1984: Drumdowney 6-11-11 Mr T Thomson Jones (12-1) T Forster 11 ran.

5-4 Gold Measure, 9-4 Final Clear, 4 Black Rod, 8 Born Bossy, 14 Japling.

### Cheltenham selections

By Mandarin

1.0 Gold Measure. 1.35 Carado. 2.10 EVERETT (nap). 2.45 Admiral's Cup. 3.20 Jamesmead. 3.55 Six Shot.

Michael Seely's selection: 2.45 Admiral's Cup.

### 1.35 BTRB CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,232: 2m) (7)

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| 205 | 020010 | THE DIPLOMAT (D) (T Fry) W Kemp 7-11-7 | G Norton |
| 207 | 4u-2142 | SCOTTISH BAVARD (D) (BF) (Parrain Building) J Webber 6-11-1 | M Jenkins |
| 209 | /003-30 | CORAL LEISURE (B) (D) (M Jackson) G Balding 8-11-0 | R Guest |
| 211 | 00002-4 | MILORE (D) (P Brewer) I Wardle 7-10-12 | K Townend |
| 213 | 2-33422 | CARADO (B) (D) (B Wheatley) M Pipe 4-10-10 | J Lower |
| 216 | 0130-02 | THE PROCESSOR (D) (J Hurst) R Howe 4-10-2 | P Howe |
| 218 | 4-13442 | SPECIAL SETTLEMENT (D) (BF) (T Beaty) R Allan 4-10-0 | D Condell |

1984: Just Alick 5-10-0 J Duggan (7-4 fav) M H Easterby 10 ran.

5-2 Scottish Bavard, 7-2 Carado, 4 Milore, 6 Coral Leisure, Special Settlement, 8 The Processor, 10 The Diplomat.

### 2.10 ALLIED DUNBAR HANDICAP CHASE (£4,184: 3m) (6)

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| 301 | 4p-11 | EVERETT (C, D) (K Hennessey) F Walwyn 10-12-1 (5 ex) | S Shilston |
| 302 | 213-2 | ELMBOY (C, D) (BF) (W Mawle) W Mawle 7-11-1 | G Mernagh |
| 303 | p0p0- | SOINTULLA BOY (D) (Mrs H Houlbrooke) Mrs H Houlbrooke 10-10-11 | Mr J Houlbrooke |
| 307 | 0/321- | DON SABREUR (CD) (D Pearman) D Pearman 8-10-0 | R Dunwoody |
| 308 | 22f-2 | BURNT OAK (D) (Brig C Harvey) D Nicholson 9-10-0 | P Scudamore |
| 311 | pp2-0 | BRIGHT OASSIS (C) (Lt Col E Phillips) K Bailey 9-10-0 | P Croucher |

1984: Fortina's Express 10-10-9 R Lamb (2-1) W A Stephenson 4 ran.

5-4 Everett, 3 Elmboy, 4 Burnt Oak, 8 Don Sabreur, 10 Bright Oassis, 12 Sointulla Boy.

FORM: EVERETT (12-0) 5l winner from Fethard Friend (10-4) at Ascot (3m ch, £8,789, firm, Oct 30, 3 ran); previously (11-10) 20l winner from Duke of Milan (10-13) at Kempton (3m ch, £5,525, firm, Oct 19, 3 ran). ELMBOY (11-10) 2½l 2nd to Glenfox (11-0) at Stratford (3m 2f ch, £1,998, good, Oct 19, 4 ran). DON SABREUR (10-2) 2nd to Fortinas Express (10-9) here (3m); previously (10-1) beat Imperial Black (10-11) here (3m ch, £3,739, firm, Oct 11, 4 ran). BURNT OAK (11-7) 1½l 2nd to Kings Bridge (10-2) at Newbury (3m ch, £2,481, good to firm, Oct 25, 4 ran); best effort last season when (12-0) ½l 2nd to Special Cargo (12-7) at Sandown (3m ch, £2,636, good, Mar 8, 12 ran).
Selection: EVERETT.

### 2.45 JOHN SEYFRIED MICKLETON HANDICAP CHASE (£4,099: 2m) (4)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 402 | 4/3322- | VOICE OF PROGRESS (C) (M Vestey) D Nicholson 7-11-7 | P Scudamore |
| 406 | 3322-31 | ADMIRAL'S CUP (D) (R E A Bott Ltd) F Winter 7-10-4 (5 ex) | B de Haan |
| 411 | f-23111 | PETER ANTHONY (CD) (R Hickman) R Hickman 7-10-0 (5 ex) | J Bryan |
| 412 | 112032 | MONZA (D) (J Fenwick) P Cundell 7-10-0 | R Rowe |

1984: Restless Shot 9-10-4 G McCourt (8-1) J Webber 8 ran.

5-4 Admiral's Cup, 5-2 Peter Anthony, 7-2 Voice Of Progress, 5 Monza.

FORM: VOICE OF PROGRESS off course since (11-5) 1½l 2nd to Will Boreen (11-5) at Hereford (2m 4f ch, £1,192, soft, Dec 20, 5 ran); earlier (11-8) 10½l 3rd to Half Free (11-10) here (2m 4f ch, £11,574, soft, Nov 10, 10 ran). ADMIRAL'S CUP (10-7) easy 6l winner from MONZA (10-7) at Ascot (2m ch, £9,170, firm, Oct 30, 4 ran). PETER ANTHONY (11-9) 15l winner from Hennessy House (10-5) at Plumpton (2m ch, £2,313, firm, Oct 29, 6 ran); previously (10-8) 7l winner from Captain Dawn (10-10) at Kempton (2m ch, £2,389, firm, Oct 19, 4 ran). Selection: VOICE OF PROGRESS.

### 3.20 BRITISH BEEF COMPANY HURDLE (4-y-o: £3,564: 2m) (4)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 501 | 4111-12 | NEBRIS (D) (BF) (J Shortall) R Akehurst 11-10 | H Davies |
| 502 | 1331- | JAMESMEAD (D) (D Allen) D Elsworth 11-6 | C Brown |
| 503 | 312232- | NOHALMDUN (D) (Ulceby Farms Ltd) M H Easterby 11-6 | J J O'Neill |
| 505 | 1332-02 | SONNY ONE SHINE (D) (D Kane) R Allan 11-0 | J K Kinane |

1984: Statesmanship 11-8 P Scudamore (6-1) R Hannon 6 ran.

6-4 Nebris, 2 Jamesmead, 9-4 Nohalmdun, 20 Sonny One Shine.

FORM: NEBRIS (11-3) beaten short head by Ace of Spies (11-0) at Newbury; earlier (11-1) beat Tigerwood (10-13) 12l at Chepstow (2m hdle) £5,053, good, Oct. 5, 10 ran). JAMESMEAD (11-7) 12l winner from Gambler's Cup (10-5) at Newbury; previously (11-3) beaten 1l and 12l by Out of the Gloom (11-0) and Ace Of Spies (11-0) at Chepstow (2m hdle, £5,451, soft, Dec 22, 13 ran). NOHALMDUN (11-0) ½l 2nd to Humberside Lady (10-9) at Liverpool (2m hdle, £8,988, good, Mar 29, 15 ran). SONNY ONE SHINE (10-0) 7l 2nd to Gray Wonder (10-9) at Perth (2m hdle, £1,198, heavy, Oct 10, 9 ran). Selection: NOHALMDUN.

### 3.55 PHILIP CORNES NOVICE HURDLE QUALIFIER (£1,741: 3m 1f) (8)

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| 601 | 32411 | SIX SHOT (A Strange) L Kennard 5-11-8 | B Powell |
| 603 | 0000-41 | CANADIAN KING (A Pettifer) G Balding 6-11-4 | B Reilly |
| 607 | | BOBA FETT (A Hollingsworth) A Hollingsworth 5-11-0 | - |
| 611 | 30-4404 | EL CITO (C Mitchell) N Mitchell 8-11-0 | T Mitchell |
| 624 | fup232- | THE DUISE (D Peake) C Holmes 7-11-0 | C Mann |
| 625 | 104-201 | TOOLEY STREET (Mrs M Wates) C Wates 6-11-0 | H Davies |
| 627 | 0p00p3 | WONKEYS LUCK (B) (J Waldron) A Chamberlain 7-11-0 | A Chamberlain |
| 628 | 43-1134 | BOLT HOLE (W Harrison-Allan) G Doidge 8-10-13 | B Wright |

1984: Church Warden 5-11-8 J Francome (4-1) D Murray-Smith 23 ran.

6-4 Six Shot, 4 Bolt Hole, 5 Canadian King, 6 Tooley Street, 8 The Duise, 14 El Cito.

# Dream ride turns into nightmare

Adrian Sharpe arrived at Stratford yesterday believing he had the best ride on the card in Gembridge Jupiter, 3-1 on favourite for the Oslo Trophy Novices Chase. It turned out to be a nightmare, when his inside rein broke away from the bit after the first six furlongs of the two and threequarter mile contest.

Gembriedge Jupiter jumped the next six fences without steering, but the sharp bend going away from the stands onto the final circuit was too much, and he crashed through the ouside running rail, dumping his unfortunate jockey. Sharpe said afterwards: "He was all right following the leaders, but when he saw the front he didn't know where to go."

With the favourite gone and the 33-1 shot Mayanncor trying to demolish the last fence when a close second, Bolt The Gate was able to enjoy a five lengths victory – the first success for two seasons for his owner-trainer Denis Williams, a Kenton, Devon, farmer. He said: "I thought he would run well, but he is a little bit doggy and Graham McCourt told me if the horse had worn blinkers he would have won half the track."

Most spectacular winner of the day was Karnatak, who stole the first division of the Southern Cross Hurdle thanks to a brilliantly successful tactic worked out by John Spearing. The Alcester trainer instructed Sam Morshead to bolt as far clear as he could from the start. Before Morshead's 11 rivals knew what had happened he was 100 yards clear, and although virtually out on his feet at the last, he got home by a rapidly diminishing four lengths.

"It just worked", reported Morshead to Spearing, who said "Karnatak just gives up in a fight. We won this at the start. He'll now go over fences.

Chasm, long plagued with a wind problem, had another operation since running at Worcester at the end of September, and judging by his performance in the Warrnambool Trophy, this one seems to have done the trick. Making light of top weight, he led virtually throughout the final circuit and won by a convincing three lengths. Mrs Cath Walwyn said: "He'll be even better over two and a half or three miles."

Stan Mellor's Whiskey Eyes does not want the ground either too firm or too soft. He evidently found it just to his liking here and, backed from 6-1 to 4-1, made all the running in the Archie Scott Memorial Gold Cup, relentlessly shaking everything off for a four-length success.

## DONCASTER

GOING: good

Draw advantage: 5f-1m (str), low numbers best on soft ground

### 1.15 DUNKIRK MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 2-y-o: £832: 6f) (21 runners)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | BENISA RYDER (Consolidated Holdings Ltd) C Horgan 9-0 | P Cook | 14 |
| 3 | 00 | CHEREN HILL (D Ancil) D Ancil 9-0 | Paul Eddery | 15 |
| 4 | 4224 | CODICES (P Locke) G Harwood 9-0 | G Starkey | 7 |
| 5 | | DEAFENING (J Jumonville) P Kelleway 9-0 | Gay Kelleway 5 | 10 |
| 6 | 00 | DRAGONARA BOY (J Rose) W Wharton 9-0 | R Fox | 6 |
| 7 | | FRAME OF POWER (B Buck) A Hide 9-0 | T Ives | 5 |
| 8 | 000 | FRUITY O'ROONEY (W Gredley) R Armstrong 9-0 | S Cauthen | 1 |
| 10 | 4 | HILLS OF KASHMIR (Sir G Brunton) A Hide 9-0 | R Guest | 3 |
| 11 | 00 | HOMME D'AFFAIRE (Mrs L Baerlein) G Lewis 9-0 | P Waldron | 16 |
| 13 | 0 | ONE TO MARK (B Haggas) M Prescott 9-0 | G Duffield | 9 |
| 14 | 0020 | PRAIRIE SCHOONER (D Sieff) J Winter 9-0 | J Reid | 12 |
| 15 | 0 | SAND-DOLLAR (G Waters) M Prescott 9-0 | C Nutter | 2 |
| 16 | 330330 | SITZCARRALDO (P Davies) R Hannon 9-0 | A McGlone | 8 |
| 17 | | SUPERCOOMBE (E Jameson) P Cole 9-0 | T Quinn | 18 |
| 19 | 0 | BREAK THE ICE (J Wigan) W Hastings-Bass 8-11 | W Carson | 17 |
| 20 | 0 | COPLEYS WALK (Hippodrome Racing) Miss S Hall 8-11 | K Hodgson | 21 |
| 21 | | DO-RUN-DO (R Coombes) J Bosley 8-11 | I Johnson | 13 |
| 22 | | LASTCOMER (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-11 | W R Swinburn | 4 |
| 23 | | PRINCESS ANDROMEDA (B Pollins) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11 | W Ryan | 11 |
| 24 | 00 | PRINCESS RYMER (Mrs R Bill) T Bill 8-11 | N Carlisle | 19 |
| 27 | 00 | TAMALPAIS (D Watts) H Collingridge 8-11 | M Rimmer | 20 |

1984: Prince Darius 9-0 N Connorton (8-1) C Tinkler 22 ran

2 Lastcomer, 9-2 Codices, 5 Benisa Ryder, 8 Hills Of Kashmir, 10 Supercoombe, Homme D'Affaire, 14 Deafening 16 others.

### Doncaster selections

By Mandarin

1.15 Lastcomer. 1.45 Qualitair Boy. 2.15 Philpride. 2.45 Centroline. 3.15 Catherine's Well. 3.45 Flower Bowl.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.15 Lastcomer. 1.45 El-Har-Le-Har. 2.15 Jerry Can. 2.45 Bold Connection. 3.15 Au-Dessus. 3.45 Alkaayed.

By Michael Seely

1.15 Lastcomer. 3.15 LAMMASTIDE (nap).

### 1.45 WESTERN DESERT SELLING HANDICAP (£1,509: 1m rnd) (20)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 01000-0 | GULFLAND (G Pritchard-Gordon) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-9-10 | J Cahill 7 | 15 |
| 2 | 014003 | ALWAYS NATIVE (T Richards) D Chapman 4-9-8 | S Keightley | 12 |
| 3 | 100000 | HELLO GYPSY (D) (Mrs C Tinkler) C Tinkler 4-9-6 | M Birch | 11 |
| 5 | 400200 | GRACIOUS HOMES (B) (W H Jones) D Haydn Jones 4-9-5 | D Williams 7 | 17 |
| 6 | 0-03320 | LOTUS PRINCESS (D) (BF) (Miss S Evans) W Hastings Bass 4-9-5 | R Lines 3 | 7 |
| 8 | 30-3400 | FENLOCH (Mrs S Palmer) H Collingridge 3-9-4 | M Rimmer | 6 |
| 12 | 041040 | LADY LIZA (D) (Mrs M Stevens) B Stevens 4-9-2 | T Williams | 9 |
| 13 | 00-02 | EL-HAR-LE-HAR (R Harvey) W Musson 3-9-1 | M Wigham | 1 |
| 14 | 040001 | DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE (A Richards) C Austin 3-9-0 (6 ex) | G Baxter | 8 |
| 15 | 220000 | QUALTY CHORISTER (G Simpson) G Moore 4-8-13 | S Cauthen | 10 |
| 16 | 000000 | REMEMBRANCE (G Whittaker) D Chapman 4-8-12 | A Proud | 13 |
| 17 | 0/00-0 | RED VANITY (Mrs R Saura-Chacon) R Nicholls 4-8-11 | C Rutter 5 | 4 |
| 18 | 031001 | PALE STAR (J Quinn) J D Davies 3-8-3 (6 ex) | L Ashworth 7 | 16 |
| 20 | 310003 | LOCHFAST (Tam Plant Ltd) C Tinkler 3-8-10 | M Wood | 18 |
| 22 | 020410 | ANOTHER ANGUS (B) (D Ivory) K Ivory 3-8-10 | R Cochrane | 20 |
| 25 | 01400u | QUALTAIR BOY (D,B) (Qualitair Ltd) K Stone 3-8-8 | P Robinson | 14 |
| 26 | 400003 | CADENETTE (B Skirton) M Camacho 3-8-8 | J Lowe | 3 |
| 27 | 400004 | TAME DUCHESS (C Blackwell) R Hannon 3-8-8 | A McGlone | 19 |
| 29 | 000000 | REDREED (M Hill) D Chapman 3-8-7 | D Nicholls | 5 |
| 30 | 0000-30 | VELA ROSSA (Mrs S Barth) A Potts 4-8-7 | J Bleasdale | 2 |

1984: Gun Man 3-9-10 B Raymond (9-1) N Callaghan 20 ran

4 Always Native, 9-2 Lady Liza, 11-2 Duke Of Cambridge, 7 Lochfast, 8 Lotus Princess, El-Har-Le-Har, 10 Another Angus, 12 Hello Gypsy, 14 others.

### 2.15 HOWSON ALGRAPHY PRINTING PLATE HANDICAP (£3,433: 2m 2f) (17)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 23140-0 | JERRY CAN (B) (Sheikh Mohammed) H Thomson Jones 4-9-10 | A Murray | 1 |
| 2 | 0-23000 | DOWN FLIGHT (A Allright) C Holmes 5-9-1 | J Reid | 11 |
| 4 | 201102 | PURNS MILL (P Murray) A Stewart 5-8-12 | R Carter 5 | 2 |
| 5 | 1-00400 | TOM SHARP (D) (M Yarrow) W Wharton 5-8-10 | R Fox | 8 |
| 7 | 021311 | PATH'S SISTER (C) (Miss B Duxbury) C Thornton 4-8-8 | M Tebbutt 7 | 17 |
| 9 | 303000 | JACKDAW (J Bigg) R Hollinshead 5-8-5 | W Ryan | 7 |
| 11 | 000-231 | RELEKTO (C,D) (Miss G Arber) M Jarvis 3-8-2 (3 ex) | G Carter 5 | 16 |
| 13 | 401001 | SUGAR PALM (B) (F Broom) R Hannon 4-8-1 (3 ex) | A McGlone | 12 |
| 14 | 211004 | BALLET CHAMP (S Gallagher) R Holder 7-8-0 | A Proud | 6 |
| 15 | 001224 | MILTON BURN (BF) (A Richards) D Hanley 4-8-0 | S Dawson 3 | 9 |
| 16 | 2-01331 | DON RUNI (K Spindler) D Morley 3-8-0 | G Duffield | 14 |
| 17 | 02-0331 | PHILPRIDE (C Barber-Lomax) W Elsey 5-7-13 (5 ex) | J Lowe | 4 |
| 19 | 22010-0 | ACK ACK REGIMENT (Dr K Menon) P Cole 5-7-10 | W Carson | 10 |
| 21 | 121000 | RELKISHA (C,D) (J Pegley) D Wintle 4-7-9 | NON-RUNNER | 13 |
| 22 | 000221 | BRIGADIER JACQUES (A Richards) C Austin 4-7-7 (3 ex) | N Carlisle | 3 |
| 25 | 320040 | HOBOURNES (G Farndon Ltd) R Woodhouse 3-7-7 | S P Griffiths 5 | 15 |
| 26 | 023040 | MOODY GIRL (R Butters) R Hollinshead 4-7-7 | P Hill 7 | 5 |

1984: Accuracy 1-8-9 R Fox (6-1) G Balding 13 ran

4 Paths Sister, 5 Philpride, 6 Relekto, 7 Tom Sharp, 8 Milton Burn, Purns Mill, 10 Sugar Palm, 12 Jackdaw, 14 Jerry Can, 16 others.

FORM: PATH'S SISTER (8-9) 1 ½L Haydock winner from MILTON BURN (8-4) with PHILPRIDE (8-11) 12L away 3rd and RELKISHA (8-0) last of 10 (2m, 2,715, soft, Oct 16). PHILPRIDE (7-8) has since beaten Kayudee (9-3) 6L at Newmarket (2m 4f, £4,116, firm, Nov 1, 9 ran) with BALLET CHAMP (8-4) 4 ½L away 4th and JACKDAW (8-7) 8th. ALL IS REVEALED (8-9) 7th to peggy Carolyn (8-11) at Newmarket; earlier (7-10) beat Trade Line (9-7) 5L at Ascot with BALLET CHAMP (8-3) 7th and JACKDW (8-1) of 9 (2m, £5,861, good to firm, Sep 28). RELEKTO (7-11) 4L course and distance winner from Midnight Oasis (7-10) (£2,728, good, Oct 26, 10 ran). SUGAR PALM (9-1) beat Tars Hill (9-1) head at Lingfield (2m); earlier (7-7) 10th to Kayudee (8-1) Cesarewitch with TOM SHARP (7-9) 12th and JACKDAW (7-7) 16th. Last year, TOM SHARP (8-7) beat Baby's Smile (8-0) a head at Newmarket with JERRY CAN (9-10) 3 ½L away 4th (2m 4f, £4,889, good, Nov2, 9 ran). JERRY CAN (9-5) 7th to Fair and Wise (7-10) at York on only start this year.
Selection: JERRY CAN.

### 2.45 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION STAKES (£3,657: 1m 6f 127yd) (19)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 200020 | BOLD CONNECTION (E Addison) M Ryan 5-9-5 | P Robinson | 15 |
| 4 | 4020004 | CENTROLINE (C,D) (A J Bingley Ltd) C A Bell 7-9-5 | J Lowe | 5 |
| 5 | 111000/ | HIGH OLD TIME (Dickins Ltd) C A Bell 7-9-5 | Paul Eddery | 3 |
| 6 | 33201 | PRIMROSE VALLEY (Lord Halifax) J Dunlop 3-9-3 | T Ives | 6 |
| 7 | 004000 | BEAKER (G Lowe) M Naughton 5-9-0 | N Howe | 4 |
| 8 | 030400 | GET THE MESSAGE (F Salaman) P Cole 4-9-0 | T Quinn | 11 |
| 9 | 1120-00 | LUMINATE (J Rowles) J Dunlop 4-9-0 | S Cauthen | 13 |
| 10 | 02200-0 | MERDON MONARCH (J Smith) R Sheather 4-9-0 | R Cochrane | 8 |
| 11 | 1304-30 | MIGHTY FLUTTER (Mrs J McDougald) 4-9-0 | J Matthias | 19 |
| 12 | 0-44400 | ROUGH STONES (B Aasaroo) K White 4-9-0 | J Tandari | 2 |
| 13 | 0 | CELTIC QUEST (A Barr) E H Owen jnr 4-8-5 | S Keightley | 16 |
| 14 | 000000 | HAYASHI (A Lyons) C Booth 4-8-5 | R Hills | 1 |
| 15 | 220-000 | LINE OF FORTUNE (T Kaufman) W G Turner 5-8-5 | - | 9 |
| 18 | 020000 | CAPAGENIE (B) (D Farrow) R Whitaker 3-8-1 | W Ryan | 14 |
| 19 | 000 | DAWN SPIRIT (Mrs G Simpson) M Chapman 3-8-1 | J Williams | 12 |
| 20 | 0-40000 | GLENMORE CAPTAIN (Mrs D Carvalho) C Spares 3-8-1 | N Day | 17 |
| 21 | 0-000 | IBN MAJED (C Spares) C Spares 3-8-1 | A Proud | 7 |
| 26 | 004242 | WATERLOW PARK (Greenland Park Ltd) I Balding 3-8-1 | R Curant | 10 |
| 30 | 00 | QUICK SINGLE (W Norris) J Old 3-7-12 | R Fox | 18 |

1984: Island Mill 3-7-12 E Johnson (5-2) I Balding 15 ran

2 Centroline, 3 Mighty Flutter, 4 Primrose Valley, 6 Luminate, 10 Bold Connection, 14 Rough Stones, Waterlow Park, 20 others.

### 3.15 NORMANDY BEACHES NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £2,763: 5f) (17)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 041320 | DUBLIN LAD (BF) (D) (M Britain) M Brittain 10-7 | K Darley | 9 |
| 2 | 311041 | HANDSOME SAILOR (D) (Mrs M Thompson) R Thompson 9-4 | P Bradwell | 7 |
| 3 | 21400 | CRONK'S QUALITY (D) (Cronk Garages) G Lewis 8-13 | P Waldron | 3 |
| 6 | 34311 | MAYOR (D) (' Snipe) M Leach 8-8 | D Nicholls | 14 |
| 7 | 03311 | AU-DESSUS (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin) J Winter 8-6 | J Reid | 2 |
| 8 | 00130 | MANTON MAN.. (D) (Mrs M Patt) M Camacho 8-3 | R Lines 3 | 10 |
| 10 | 310002 | LAMMASTIDE (D) (J Allbritton) J Watts 8-2 | T Ives | 13 |
| 11 | 130004 | THE HILCOTE CLUB (D) (G Northage) M McCormack 8-1 | R Cochrane | 8 |
| 13 | 043101 | CATHERINES WELL (C) (Hippodrome Racing) M W Easterby 7-10 (7 ex) | G Carter 5 | 5 |
| 15 | 003 | BREAKFAST IN BED (C Rennison) W Haigh 7-7 | C Rutter 5 | 17 |
| 16 | 300000 | HOBOURNES KATIE (G Farndon Ltd) R Hollinshead 7-7 | P Hill 7 | 6 |
| 17 | 0000 | SUHAAZ (B) (Faiz Al-Mutawa) F Durr 7-7 | M L Thomas | 4 |
| 18 | 010030 | PERCIPIO (B) (R Long) K Ivory 7-7 | N Adams | 11 |
| 19 | 003003 | THE STRAY BULLETT (B) (Mrs J McMahon) B McMahon 7-7 | R Fox | 12 |
| 20 | 000400 | STEPHIL (B) (Ambrettabuilders Ltd) D Thom 7-7 | A Shoults 5 | 1 |
| 21 | 0010 | SILENTLY YOURS (D,B) (D Wood) K Stone 7-7 | N Carlisle | 15 |
| 24 | 000000 | DASHAKI GOLD (B) (Miss N Rabey) C Spares 7-7 | A Proud | 16 |

1984: No corresponding race

3 Au-Dessus, 4 Lammastide, 5 Handsome Sailor, 6 The Hilcote Club, 8 Dublin Lad, Catherine's Well, 10 Mayor, 14 others.

FORM: MAYOR (8-10) beat Ken Siddall (7-11) ¾l at Warwick with DUBLIN LAD (11-0) short head away 3rd, THE HILCOTE CLUB (8-12) 3½l away 8th and HOBORUNES KATIE (7-10) behind (5f, £1,271, good to firm, Oct 14, 20 ran). DUBLIN LAD since (9-7) beaten runner-up to Wanton (8-3) over today's course and distance with THE HILCOTE CLUB (8-11) 5l away 4th; previously DUBLIN LAD (10-1) beat Dark Promise (8-8) neck at Wolverhampton despite slipped saddle. HANDSOME SAILOR (8-7) beat Iberian Start (8-13) 1l at Haydock last time (5f, £2,327, soft, Oct 17, 12 ran). CRONKS QUALITY, best effort (8-11) 6l York 4th to Hallgate (8-11) with DUBLIN LAD (8-11) 11th (5f, £6,451, good to soft, Aug 21, 12 ran). AU-DESSUS (9-1) beat Dad's Line (8-11) a neck at Catterick (5f, £1,139, good to firm, Oct 19, 10 ran). LAMMASTIDE (8-9) ½l Newbury runner-up to Mudrik (8-11) (6f, £3,486, good, Oct 26, 13 ran). CATHERINE'S WELL (8-13) beat Stay Lucky (8-6) 1½ at Newmarket with SILENTLY YOURS (8-2) last of 19 (6f, £3,631, good, Nov 2, 19 ran).
Selection: CATHERINE'S WELL.

### 3.45 DUNKIRK MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 2-y-o: £851: 6f) (20)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 4 | ALKAAYED (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-0 | A Murray | 18 |
| 3 | 00000 | DORADE (O Miles Pollard jnr) D Morley 9-0 | G Duffield | 11 |
| 4 | 0 | EASTERN HEIGHTS (R Bedding) J Etherington 9-0 | M Wood | 5 |
| 8 | | GEORDIE'S DELIGHT (Sheikh Mohammed) J Ciechanowski 9-0 | P Cook | 15 |
| 9 | 2300 | JARROVIAN (B) (A LeBlond) T Fairhurst 9-0 | C Coates 5 | 16 |
| 10 | 0 | KHETA KING (Sir G Brunton) W Hastings-Bass 9-0 | R Lines 3 | 3 |
| 11 | 000 | NORCOOL (B) (T Drake) R Nicholls 9-0 | A Bond | 12 |
| 12 | 40200 | NORTHERN GUNNER (A Gunn-Forbes) W Jarvis 9-0 | W R Swinburn | 8 |
| 13 | 0 | PENTLAND HAWK (S Hill) R Hollinshead 9-0 | S Perks | 19 |
| 14 | 0 | REIGNBEAU (Mrs B Clarke) G Lewis 9-0 | P Waldron | 10 |
| 16 | | SHARP TIMES (F Briggs) W Musson 9-0 | M Wigham | 9 |
| 17 | 0 | SMILING BEAR (M Epstein) W Hastings-Bass 9-0 | J Matthias | 13 |
| 18 | 0 | AUSTINA (I Purchase) D Haydn Jones 8-11 | J Reid | 1 |
| 19 | 0 | BANDYANN (Mrs D Bracken) P Mitchell 8-11 | A Clark | 7 |
| 20 | 30 | BLUE FANTASY (Mrs M Stevens) B Stevens 8-11 | T Williams | 4 |
| 22 | 2 | FLOWER BOWL (J Haverhals) J Dunlop 8-11 | W Carson | 20 |
| 25 | | ROYAL LOFT (Mrs P Player) W Jarvis 8-11 | T Ives | 6 |
| 26 | | SCENTED SILENCE (J Duffel) G Huffer 8-11 | G Carter 5 | 14 |
| 29 | 000 | THE LITTLE JOKER (A Massingbard-Mundy) W Elsey 8-11 | J Lowe | 2 |
| 30 | 0 | WINDBOUND LASS (R Savery) D Wintle 8-11 | N Howe | 17 |

1984: Pharjoy 8-11 B Raymond (11-2) M Jarvis 23 ran

11-10 Flower Bowl, 4 Alkaayed, 7 Royal Loft, 8 Smiling Bear, Jarrovian, 10 Northern Gunner.

### Course specialists

DONCASTER

TRAINERS: M Stoute 42 winners from 135 runners, 23.7%; G Harwood 21 from 94, 22.3%; J Dunlop 17 from 90, 18.9%.

JOCKEYS: G Starkey 26 winners from 139 rides, 18.7%; S Cauthen 32 from 209, 15.3%; W Carson 38 from 250, 15.2%.

### Blinkered first time

DONCASTER: 2.45 Capagenie. 3.15 Buhaaz, Stephil, Silently Yours; 3.45 Jarrovian, Norcool.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All engagements (dead): Floating Charge, Railroad Lady, Airedale Travel, Mister Bee, Another Stocksign, Big-Ed, A Tuneful Song.

## BANGOR-ON-DEE

Going: good

### 1.0 DUCKINGTON CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£660: 2m 80yd) (13)

| | | | |
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| 2 | 1044 | CLUEDO (BF) M James 4-11-10 | Sharron James |
| 3 | 000/0- | TWAY M Naughton 6-11-8 | P A Farrell |
| 4 | 040-0 | SPOT THE PATCH Mrs S Oliver 5-11-7 | Jacqui Oliver |
| 5 | 3f00- | MANDRIANO K Wingrove 6-11-3 | R Balfour |
| 6 | p/331- | DREAM VENTURE R Morris 5-11-1 | Susan Head |
| 9 | p0p/4- | OUR PRETENDER W Clay 5-10-13 | Diane Clay |
| 10 | 2-210 | BELLAMUSE (BF) M Castell 5-10-12 | K Traylor 7 |
| 12 | 00-20 | JUST SPUD J P Smith 4-10-11 | A Smith 7 |
| 13 | 00p/2 | DOROTHY BREWIS (BF) G Richards 8-10-10 | A Wilson |
| 15 | 00-40 | ABOUT TIME TOO J Jenkins 4-10-9 | D Morris |
| 17 | 0b0/2- | LUCKY BROXTED W Whiston 6-10-7 | C Evans |
| 18 | 4000 | UNCLE DAI D Burchell 6-10-7 | D J Burchell 7 |
| 19 | p0f0- | ROMAN A CLEF (B) J Harriman 6-10-7 | W Humphreys |

3 Bellamuse, 7-2 Cluedo, 9-2 About Time Too, 6 Dream Venture, 8 Dorothy Brewis, 10 Spot The Patch, 12 Lucky Broxted, 16 others.

### 1.30 CHORLTON NOVICE HURDLE (£739: 2m 80yd) (18)

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| 1 | 4-11u | BUNRANNOCH HOUSE (CD) (BF) R Fisher 4-12-0 | K Ryan 7 |
| 2 | 4210 | BORLEAFRAS D Moffatt 5-11-7 | K Teelan |
| 3 | 00-21 | ST COLME G Richards 5-11-7 | D Coakley |
| 5 | | ALICE'S BOY R Francis 4-11-0 | C Cowley 7 |
| 9 | 0-p | CARRAMORE OUTLAW J Cosgrave 6-11-0 | N Babbage |
| 15 | 0240/ | JINJA THYME D Ringer 8-11-0 | S McNeill |
| 16 | | JUST QUAIL F Jordan 4-11-0 | R Hyett |
| 17 | 00- | LOG CABIN W Clay 4-11-0 | Diane Clay |
| 20 | | PEAT Mrs A Hewitt 4-11-0 | M Williams |
| 22 | p00-1 | PROMINDANTE W Morris 5-11-0 | W Morris |
| 25 | | SALOPIAN W Whiston 6-11-0 | - |
| 28 | | SUNNY SUNBEAM E Owen jun 5-11-0 | R Stronge |
| 29 | 0004- | TIXALL BOY W Clay 6-11-0 | S J O'Neill |
| 33 | 430- | YANK BROWN Mrs M Dickinson 5-11-0 | G Bradley |
| 34 | 000- | GREENACRES GIRL B McMahon 4-10-9 | T Wall |
| 38 | | SPACE KATE E Evans 4-10-9 | P Warner |
| 40 | 203-0 | SPARTAN NATIVE A W Jones 5-10-9 | - |
| 41 | 4 | STEPALONG D Gandolfo 4-10-9 | P Barton |

5-2 Yank Brown, 3 Bunrannoch House, 7-2 St Colme, 5 Promindante, 8 Stepalong, Borleafras, 14 Spartan Native, 16 others.

### 2.0 JONES & SON AUCTIONEERS NOVICE CHASE (£1,820: 2m 70yd) (8)

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| 3 | p241 | MIDSUMMER EXPRESS (CD) C Parker 8-11-11 | S J O'Neill |
| 4 | 001-1 | THE LANGHORN DYER G Richards 8-11-11 | P Tuck |
| 7 | 1211- | A SURE ROW Mrs M Dickinson 8-11-1 | G Bradley |
| 8 | 430p- | BACKLOG J Dalton 7-11-1 | J Suthern |
| 9 | p04f | BARNABY RUDGE (B) M Salaman 7-11-1 | M Bastard |
| 19 | 420f | RED NICK J Cosgrave 7-11-1 | N Babbage |
| 23 | 001-0 | WIGGBURN Mrs A Hewitt 6-11-1 | M Williams |
| 24 | 000-3 | ANOTHER HALF D McCain 5-11-0 | S Morshead |

6-4 A Sure Row, 7-4 The Langholm Dyer, 6 Midsummer Express, 10 Red Nick, 12 Wiggburn, 14 Backlog, 20 others.

### 2.30 MOLD HANDICAP CHASE (£1,716: 3m 200yd) (8)

| | | | |
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| 1 | 412/0- | ROYAL MERE Mrs M Rimell 8-12-4 | S Morshead |
| 6 | 014-4 | ROYAL NORMAN (B) A Brisbourne 9-10-11 | M Brisbourne |
| 8 | 0-334 | BRONWYN Mrs S Davenport 8-10-4 | R Linley |
| 9 | 1-143 | SCOTTISH DREAM (C) G Richards 7-10-4 | P Tuck |
| 12 | f3f-3 | DELATOR I Wardle 8-10-0 | P Dever |
| 13 | 22104 | TRAFALGAR BILL (C) C Parker 8-10-0 | B Storey |
| 14 | 0030 | TAMDHU H Dale 12-10-0 | S J O'Neill |
| 16 | 04-02 | FLITTERMERE R Peacock 14-10-0 | C Cox 7 |

3 Scottish Dream, 7-2 Royal Norman, 4 Trafalgar Bill, 6 Royal Mere, 8 Delator, 10 Brunwyn, 14 others.

### Bangor selections

By Mandarin

1.0 Spot the Patch. 1.30 Yank Brown. 2.0 A Sure Row. 2.30 Scottish Dream. 3.0 Le Soir. 3.30 Ring-Lou.

### 3.0 TILSTON THREE-YEAR-OLD NOVICE HURDLE (£548: 2m 4f) (15)

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| 7 | 000 | BAHAMAS VENTURE R Fisher 10-12 | M Meagher |
| 8 | 0 | BILLION MELODY Mrs J Evans 10-12 | R Crank |
| 9 | 04 | GLEN-ROY-BOY A James 10-12 | G Jones |
| 11 | 42 | LE SOIR R Francis 10-12 | G Bradley |
| 12 | 0 | LORD JAGGED A Leighton 10-12 | C Smith |
| 14 | 0 | MARINER'S LAD J L Harris 10-12 | J A Harris |
| 15 | f | NATTSAWARD B Preece 10-12 | R Stronge |
| 17 | 00 | RAMDAM Mrs A Hewitt 10-12 | M Williams |
| 18 | 3243 | TASHONYA (B) J Jenkins 10-12 | - |
| 19 | 00 | DREAMY DESIRE Miss J Eaton 10-7 | P Barry |
| 20 | | DUCHESS OF CONNAUT D Burchell 10-7 | S G Davies 7 |
| 21 | p00u | GOLDEN SECRET D Moffatt 10-7 | P Tuck |
| 22 | | PROUD HERON R Peacock 10-7 | C Kellett 7 |
| 23 | | TANTE MARIE D Gandolfo 10-7 | P Barton |
| 24 | p0p | WOOD FARM GIRL P Hamer 10-7 | Mr A Walton 7 |

7-4 Le Soir, 5-2 Tashonya, 8 Bahamas Venture, Glen-Roy-Boy, 12 Tante Marie, 16 Proud Heron, 20 others.

### 3.30 WORTHENBURY HANDICAP CHASE (£1,592: 2m 170yd) (6)

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| 2 | u00-4 | DENNIS AUBURN R Francis 8-11-10 | R Crank |
| 3 | 41-03 | TROILENA (CD) (BF) R Fisher 8-11-9 | K Ryan 7 |
| 4 | 2211 | RING-LOU (B) (CD) J Edwards 10-11-8 (7ex) | P Barton |
| 6 | 2224 | SLIEVE BRACKEN (B) W Clay 9-11-0 | S J O'Neill |
| 9 | p-p41 | LEGAL EMPEROR M Naughton 7-10-9 | M Dwyer |
| 11 | 44-u0 | FARE LOVE (C) E Evans 8-10-3 | P Warner |

2 Troilena, 3 Ring-Lou, 4 Legal Emperor, 6 Dennis Auburn, 8 Slieve Bracken, 12 Fare Love.

# Sponsors' new deal

Point-to-point,
By Brian Beel

Land Rover Ltd and BritAg have confirmed their commitment to point-to-point racing for the coming season.

Land Rover enter their fourth year of sponsorship by taking over the 1986 men's open championship series from Diners Club. Qualifying races will be run at 28 meetings with the first three eligible for the £6,000 final at Chepstow on May 26.

In addition to their well-established ladies championship, BritAg are sponsoring a new series to be known as the Nitrac gentlemen's championship.

# Waiting on St Hilarion

Nine horses from eight nations have accepted invitations to run in the Japan Cup on Nov 24. The field includes Gold and Ivory from Britain and Nassipour (United States) but Lashkari, from France, last year's Breeders Cup winner, is unable to take part, due to illness.

Other runners include The Filbert (New Zealand), Daun (West Germany), Nemain (Ireland), Balitou (France), In My Cap (Canada), Spirit of Kingston (Australia) and Zoffany (United States).

The Japan Racing Association said it was negotiating for the arrival of Guy Harwood's St Hilarion to complete the field of 16 runners, including six Japanese horses who will be selected later.

# Houston Belle Italy bound

Houston Belle, a head winner in a thrilling finish to yesterday's Three-year-old Novice Hurdle at Kempton, could be winging her way to Italy in an attempt to win owner Robert Ellis £100,000 on Dec 15. Success in the Premio Neuire, run over 11¼ furlongs at Naples, would secure Ellis that sun as the breeder of the first progeny of Milford to win a pattern-race in either Great Britain, France, Italy, Ireland, germany, or certain parts of North America.

But first, Houston Belle is up for sale at 20,000 guineas. Ellis promises that amount back to the new owner, should the filly lift the £13,000 prize next month. In the meantime, Houston Belle will run in next week's Aurelius Hurdle at Ascot.

Houston Belle, backed from 5-2 down to 7-4 favourite, steadily clawed back at the 25 lengths early lead established by Preordination, and got up in the final stride. Her trainer, John Jenkins said: "She made too much of the running at Ascot last week and got fd up on that uphill finish."

Maranzi, Worcester trainer Jim Colston's first runner at Kempton, made every yard in the Tattersalls Mares Only Novices Chase to beat Milanessa by eight lengths.

## Kempton results

Going: firm

1.0 (2m hdle) 1, HOUSTON BELLE (S Sherwood, 7-4 fav); 2, Preordination (M Pitman, 3-1); 3, Sylvan Joker (R Dunwoody 3-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 True Weight (6th), 12 Hail a Buck, 20 Just Jones (pu), 33 Forever Mo (4th), 50 Kalimpong (5th). 8 ran. Hd, 3l, 25l, 12l, not recorded. J Jenkins at Epsom. TOTE: £2.40; £1.10, £1.50, £1.50. DF: £2.70. CSF: £8.08.

1.30 (2m ch) 1, MARANZI (E Murphy, 4-11 fav); 2, Milanessa (R Dunwoody, 4-1); 3, Kohinoor Diamond (B Powell, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 20 Evening Song (f), Shirley Crapella (5th), 25 Western Kelly (4th), 33 Indian Cash (6th). 7 ran. 8l, 8l, 25l, 4l, not recorded. J Colston at Worcester. TOTE: £1.40; £1.10, £2.00. DF: £2.10. CSF: £2.58.

2.0: 1, HUBLI (R Rowe, 1-4 fav); 2, Bic Roller (R Goldstein, 100-30). 2 ran. 20l. J Gifford at Findon. TOTE: £1.20.

2.30 (2m 4f hdle): 1, ZIRCON'S SUN (C Cox, 100-30); 2, Tigerwood (M Bowlby, 2-1 fav); 3, Snowy River (A Madgwick 4-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Riverside Drive, 7 Sanhedrin (4th). 5 ran. ½l, 30l 20l, dist. D Laing at Lambourn. TOTE: £2.50; £1.50, £1.40, DF: £2.80. CSF: £9.92.

3.0 (2m ch) 1, PROFESSOR PLUM (M Bosley, 1-5 fav); 2, Brahms and Liszt (E Murphy, 4-1). 2 ran. 15l. T Forster at Wantage. TOTE: £1.10.

3.30 (2m 4f hdle) 1, SUMMONS (R Rowe, 2-5 fav); 2, Holemoor Patrol (B Powell, 2-1). 2 ran. NR: Dunvegan Castle. 7l. J Gifford at Findon. TOTE: £1.10. Jackpot: £5.80. Placepot: £0.95.

## Stratford

Going: good to firm

1.15 (2m hdle) 1, KARNATAK (S Morshead, 7-2); 2, Saint Acton (K Burke, 5-1); 3, Gare (G McCourt, 50-1). ALSO RAN: 3 fav Rutcha (6th), 5 Lady Lynx (5th), 13-2 The Readcutter (4th), 20 Shahsal, 25 Kharab Bibi (PU), 33 Military Girl, 50 Jim Brown (PU), Northumbria-Sport (PU), Amy Gwen (PU). 12 ran. NR: Thetford Chase. 4l, 1½l, 4l, 10l, 4l. J Spearing at Alcester. TOTE: £4.00; £1.30, £2.30, £8.00. DF: £8.70. CSF: £18.73.

1.45 (2m 5f ch). 1, BOLT THE GATE (G McCourt, 8-1); 2, Mayannceor (Dai Williams, 33-1); 3, Haystack's Flyer (C Mann, 100-1). Also ran: 1-2 fav Gembridge Jupiter (RO), 9 Serena Plastics (PU), 20 Golden Medina (4th), 33 Fanaglo (5th). 7 ran. 5l, 20l, not recorded, not recorded. D Williams at Exeter. TOTE: £9.10; £1.80, £3.00. DF: £31.60. CSF: £134.06.

2.15 (2m ch) 1, CHASM (R Pusey, 7-2); 2, Chateau Bar (S Morshead, 20-1); 3, Law Venture (M Bastard, 7-4 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 7-4 jt-fav Hope End (4th), 16 Essax (5th), Still Hope, 50 Canina (6th). 7 ran. NR: Administrator. 3l, nk, ¾l, 10l, 15l. F Walwyn at Lambourn. TOTE: £4.80; £2.20, £2.10. DF: £42.60. CSF: £50.39.

2.45 (3m 2f ch) 1, CRACK A JOKE (R Crank, 6-4 fav); 2, Loriot (R Kington, 2-1); 3, Parcelstown (P Barton, 9-4). ALSO RAN: 25 No Retreat. 4 ran. 12l, ¾l, not recorded. T Bill at Ashby-de-la-Zouch. TOTE: £2.10 DF: £2.40. CSF: £4.50.

3.15 (2m 6f hdle) 1, WHISKEY EYES (G Charles-Jones, 4-1); 2, Woodland View (M Kinane, 12-1); 3, Kamag (C Seward, 8-1); 4, Sunshine Gal (R Dennis, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 3 fav Listary Lad (6th), 9 Cross Master, 10 Ballyerackers, 11 Derrycrahe Lass, 12 Bardsey, 16 Coombs Spirit, Isanemos (5th), 20 Mossy Ball, 33 Stocksign, Sea Ranger, Beau Wynk, Panrock. 16 ran. 4l, ¾l, 1½l, ¾l, 3l. Mellor at Lambourn. TOTE: £4.50; £1.80, £2.20, £1.20, £4.40. DF: £18.70. CSF: £52.36. Tricast: £270.95.

3.45 (2m hdle) 1, ROYAL CRAFTSMAN (S Shilston, 3-1); 2, Wild Hope (M Dwyer, 10-11 fav); 3, Maiek (George Knight, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Miss Nero (4th), 16 Stansoubou (6th), 20 Sharp Taxi (5th), Little Beaver, 33 Blackwell Boy, 50 Charlie Poole, Diraden. 10 ran. NR: River Peg. 8l, 8l, ¾l, 1¾l, 3l. Mrs I Smith at Lambourn. TOTE: £5.00; £1.30, £1.60, £2.60. DF: £4.20. CSF: £5.89.

Placepot: £1,036.25.

● Irish raider Buck House has been cut to 11-2 joint favourite with The Tsarevich by William Hill for tomorrow's Mackeson Gold cup at Cheltenham.

● Work on Edinburgh's proposed new National Hunt course will start on Monday, Nov 11.

Clive Brittain yesterday lost his appeal against the disqualification of Bold Arrangement from second place in the William Hill Futurity Stakes at Doncaster but had his deposit returned.

## David Bedford calls on athletics to reveal where the big money goes

FIRST (£54,000): Slaney

SECOND (£800): Burki

THIRD (£1,200): Kristiansen

FOURTH (£90,000): Budd

# Something to declare on the road to riches

Here is the result of the women's 3,000m at Crystal Palace on July 20, 1985, and the payments to the athletes involved. 1, M Slaney £54,000; 2, C Burki £800; 3, I Kristiansen £1,200; 4, Z Budd £90,000; 5, L Jennings £500.

One does not have to be a person of exceptionally delicate sensibilities to be aware that there are one or two anomalies in the above list.

Of course, it would be Zola Budd involved in these extraordinary and controversial payments. She does have a way with her, does she not? But before her legions of devotees leap to their desks to defend her by post, let me say that the issue here is nothing to do with her nationality.

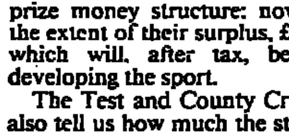
What is startling is that so huge, so disproportionate a sum should be paid to *any* athlete and for finishing fourth at that. After all, Cornelia Burki was fifth in the Olympic 3,000m when Slaney fell and Budd finished seventh, and Ingrid Kristiansen is the world record holder for 10,000m and the marathon.

The leaking of the stunning figures has been done with a deliberate intention of focussing the sporting public's mind on the uneasiness of the transition the sport is in the middle of making: from pure amateurism, to pure and unabashed professionalism. Because of this leakage, a great deal of publicity surrounded this week's attempt in the High Court to force the Amateur Athletic Association to tell us all how much cash they had paid out, and who got it. But judgment still went the way of the AAA and secrecy.

David Bedford, a protozioc version of today's stars in that he was one of the first athletes ever to be recognised with his clothes on, and now chairman of the International Athletes Club, was right behind this attampt at forcing the AAA's hand. He is amazed that judgement went against the attempt: "We have seen that they have no legal obligation to reveal what they do with the money. But their moral obligation to do so still stands."

What athletics has come up against as it flounders about trying to organise its new professional self, is the extraordinary class system that now exists in all big-time sport. There are basically two classes: mega-stars and nobodies. Mega-stars get mega-quids: nobodies get nothing, or a good approximation of nothing. It is all to do with television: television accustoms us to seeing the best of the best: the stars are the ones everyone wants, aand they are the only ones for whom huge rewards are available.

But the masses of nobodies are essential to them, and to the spectators. It is from their number that the mega-stars spring. All sports must lavishly encourage the nobodies, for without them, there would be no stars and no sport. "The rewards for the best must be large," Bedford said. "But they must still fit in; with all the purposes of athletics."


Simon Barnes

This is not a piece of wishful thinking. It is exactly what major, and unabashedly professional spots actually do. This week, the management committee of the Wimbledon tennis championships announced their finances in public. We already knew the prize money structure: now we know the extent of their surplus, £5.4 million, which will, after tax, be spent on developing the sport.

The Test and County Cricket Board also tell us how much the stars get paid for playing Test matches (£1,500 a game) and will tell us, when they have worked it out, how much profit they have made. The profit will be shared out between the counties; indeed many of the counties would go straight to the wall without this hand-out, and then where would Test matches be?

Bedford insists that money earned at the big athletics meetings should benefit the rest of the sport. It should be done, and should be seen to be done, he says. Nor is this robbing megastars of their right to make a good living: if your name is big enough to command fancy fees it is also big enough to earn decent money from such off-track activities as advertising corn flakes. "Why not? Good luck to them", said Bedford cheerfully. Bedford himself made halfway decent money in the old shamateurism days: he reckons around £2,000 a year, which was not as bad as all that in 1971.

But only stars ever get rich. The entire national budget for coaches' salaries next year is less than £150,000. "I am really pleased to see athletics so popular," Bedford said, "and to see the top names earning big money. But I also believe that money earned at big meetings should be sensible: the payment made to Zola Budd was a slap in the face for all amateur officials, a slap in the face for coaches, a slp in the face for all athletics.

"The size of that payment to Zola Budd has made people wonder if the sport is really worth supporting. The function of the Amateur Athletic Association is not to support a small group of elite athletes. The central questions the payment raises are perfectly clear: who runs the sport? and for whom?"

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VOLLEYBALL

## Brixton look for brighter horizon

By Paul Harrison

An unfunny thing happened while Mike Warwick sat watching Polonia defeat VC Marner of Luxembourg in the European Cup at the American School in St John's Wood, north London, last Saturday evening.

A few miles to the south, at the Brixton Recreation Centre, Warwick's own team Capital City Brixton were suffering the most surprising defeat of the season to date, 3-2 to Liverpool City.

"I couldn't believe it when I heard the result," Warwich said. Brixton trailed 2-1 to the workmanlike Merseysiders, and although they won the fourth set, the fifth, and the match, slipped away 15-13. Now only Speedwell Rucanor, the leaders, who did not play, and Polonia are undefeated in the Royal Bank League first division.

Brixton, coached by Sava Medonos, last season's coach of the year with Team Wiles Travel, have had their problems so far this year. Injuries have robbed them of Eddie Gdoura, their Libyan student, and Phil "Bear" Davies, while Neville McKenzie has kept playing despite injury to his right shoulder through over-use. "He's been hitting very well with his left arm though," Warwick said. "When it's all sorted out he should be ambidextrous."

Brixton had not played for three weeks and their training has been disrupted by the difficulty of finding a regular venue. None of that helped on Saturday.

Last season, they suffered a collapse of morale after a particularly humiliating home defeat by the Bulgarian champions in the European Cup. This season began brightly, with Medonos, a former Czechoslovakian international and coach to the Norwegian national side, in charge. He has tightened up and increased training, including imposing a voluntary curfew at tournaments.

With no match this weekend, Brixton have their eyes on the following weekend's clash with Polonia at Reynolds Sports Centre, west London. Also on the horizon is a return with Liverpool City, at Brixton; in the second round of the Royal Bank Cup, on November 24.

### Final dates

The area finals of the Full Members' Cup will be played over two legs, on November 27 and December 11.

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BOXING

## Bruno to face American

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

After his four-round victory against the sloppy Swede, Anders Eklund, Frank Bruno takes on someone a little more solid in the shape of Larry Alexander, of Memphis, at the Royal Albert Hall on December 4.

To get some idea of the size of his task, Bruno went along yesterday to a film showing the 6ft 3in, 16st Alexander in action against the former world contender, James Broad, in Atlantic City two years ago. "He looks a very good fighter", Bruno said. "Better than Bonecrusher Smith. And with me ranked No 7 in the world now, it will give him an extra boost – and I will give him a boost back."

Alexander, aged 33, and with 40 bouts behind him (27 wins, 10 defeats) certainly looked good against Broad, even if it was in 1983. He survived some fearsome shots and had the bigger man in trouble a couple of times before finally losing on a close decision.

Alexander has had just four bouts in the last two years, winning three on knockouts, and even if that leaves him short of match practice he could still be in fair shape to see Bruno through a good few more rounds than most of the imports we have seen here. "This looks like a distance fight," Bruno's manager, Terry Lawless, said. "He could be coming to fight, because he did not look like quitting against Broad."

● Panama City (Reuter) – The World Boxing Association (WBA) flyweight champion, Hilario Zapata, of Panama, will defend his title against the South Korean, Hisup Shin, in Seoul during January.

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GOLF

## Europeans put aside fears of sanctions to brush off Japan

From Mitchell Platts, Kapalua (Maui)

Sandy Lyle and Bernhard Langer guided Europe past their first obstacle here in the Nissan Cup in spite of the impending threats of new sanctions complicating their careers. The US PGA Tour, having banned Severiano Ballesteros from all but four tournaments in the United States in 1986, could make life troublesome for other international golfers by hardening their release clauses from regular events.

Langer and Lyle could find themselves punished in a similar fashion to Ballesteros if they fail to comply in 1986 with the rule that members of the US PGA Tour must play in minimum of 15 tournaments to retain their playing privileges. Ballesteros competed in only nine in 1985 and thus incurred his bann.

Langer said: "I played in 15 tournaments in 1985, but I might not want to always play that number, though I will be seeing Deane Beman, the US Tour commissioner, this week to obtain more information on the rules and regulations for next year. I connot comment on how the release scheme might affect me because, as yet, I do not know the full details. But the situation is worrying because I am keen to get my programme fully organized for 1986."

Even so, Langer and Lyle pushed such problems to the back of their minds and overcame Tommy Nakajima and Naomichi Ozaki respectively as Europe's six-man team launched their Nissan Cup challenge by beating Japan 4½ matches to 1½.

An unusual format examined the players on the first day as much as the Arnold Palmer-designed Bay Course, which was unusually exposed by the absence of the trade winds which can make club selection extremely hazardous. For each team received two points for an individual win and an additional bonus of 10 points for an overall success. Europe therefore emerged from their opening encounter with a 19-3 points advantage over Japan, whereas the Americans beat Austalia and New Zealand 18-4 after winning four and losing two of their six matches.

The tournament is being conducted on a round-robin basis by the four teams, with the leading two eventually meeting again in the final. Thus, there is the intriguing possibility that Europe could have a further opportunity to overcame the United States following their victory in the Ryder Cup two months ago.

Lyle gave Europe a fine start with a superb 68 to Ozaki's 70. The Open Champion collected six birdies, without putting a five on his card, and his enormous power overwhelmed an opponent who lacks the experience of his Japanese compatriots.

An indication of Lyle's power came at each of the four par fives. At the first, which measures 504 yards he was on with a four-iron, and he used the same club to get up at the sixth (532 yards). Lyle reached the 10th (552 yards) with a driver and a one iron and at the 18th (557 yards) he needed only a three-iron to drill the ball to within five yards of the hole.

Meanwhile, Langer, one stroke behind Nakajima after 11 holes, drew level when his opponent dropped a shot at the 12th. Then, Langer took command by holing putts of eight feet and 12 feet for birdies at the 14th and 16th respectively, and another birdie at the last gave him a 67 and a four-stroke win.

FIRST ROUND RESULTS: Europe bt Japan 19-3 (European players first): S Torrance (74) halved with I Aoki (74); I Woosnam (67) bt K Arai (69); A Lyle (68) bt N Ozaki (70); G Brand Jnr (70) bt S Maeda (72); H Clark (70) lost to T Ozaki (66); B Langer (67) bt T Nakajima (71). United States beat Australia and New Zealand 18-4 (US players first): C Strange (66) bt G Norman (70); M O'Meara (67) bt G Marsh (71); L Wadkins (70) lost to I Baker-Finch (69); R Floyd (67) bt B Jones (70); C Pavin (69 lost to W Grady (68); C Peete (67) bt D Graham (71).

### Time to putter around

Brian Campbell, who has been involved in professional golf in Ireland for more than 20 years, is to retire in January as secretary of the Irish region of the Professional Golfers' Association (PGA).

When Campbell joined the staff in 1975 the total prize money on offer to PGA members in the region was £10,000. This year it topped £130,000.

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SCHOOLS RUGBY

## Richards dropped goal decisive at Coventry

By Michael Stevenson

**Rugby**, who are having a mixed season, beat **King Henry VIII** at Coventry 3-0 in a hard-fought contest that was decided in gale-driven rain by a dropped goal after 30 minutes by Lloyd Richards, the Rugby stand-off half.

Rugby's well organized pack managed to apply a stranglehold but the King Henry backs were speedy and dangerous, several times threatening to swing the game with a breakaway try; brave defence was required, but Rugby were on the attack at the final whistle. King Henry VIII were impressive at full back, where their captain, Andrew Paton, had an excellent match.

The successful **St Brendan's** side, of Bristol, have just returned from a fruitful tour to Hanover. They beat Hanover Youth 22-12, Hanover Under-21s 19-12, and Ricklingen Youth 51-6, scoring 16 tries in the process. Alan Sharp, an England 16 group prop, Mark Crane, a 17st lock, and Sean Hodges, stand-off for St Brendan's but centre for England 18 group last year, were outstanding. They defeated **KCS Wimbledon** 31-4 on their return.

**King's, Worcester**, setting out on a short northern tour, met formidable opposition en route, and lost 15-12 to **Nottingham High School**, who are still unbeaten. King's tries were scored by the scrum half, George Blakeway (a relative of the former England prop), and David Ogle, a centre. Tim Brown kicked two conversions. Nottingham earned victory with a try from the No 8, Mark Saxelby, and a conversion and three penalties by Philip Milton. Nottingham continued their unbeaten run with victory over **Mount St Mary's** 24-12.

King's, Worcester followed their honourable defeat at Nottingham with a good win at **Durham**, who led 9-0 at half-time, thanks mainly to their captain and full back, Lishman; but tries for King's by Blakeway (his twelfth of the season), Richard Bayliss and Richard Wilkes proved decisive.

**Royal Grammar, Worcester**, have also had a good season. John Croasdell, the former Fylde and Lancashire prop, writes: "The matches against King Henry VIII, which we lost 16-18, and **KES Birmingham**, a 19-19 draw, were both marvellous encounters, and the rugby was of the highest quality."

● **Christ's College, Brecon**, who meet the powerful **King's, Taunton** side tomorrow, are anxious to clarify their policy with regard to the Welsh Schools Rugby Union (David Hands writes). Though they did not send boys to last season's senior trial, they did in previous seasons and will continue to do so when they believe they have players of the right calibre.

This season, if trials had not been postponed, Pearn, their flanker and captain, would certainly have been worthy of a place, along with several others who helped Christ's to notable recent victories over **Blackrock College**, Ireland, and their old rivals, **LLandovery**.

### Doyle's awards

Mick Doyle, who coached Ireland to the triple crown and five nations championship last season, has become the first man to win both polls held by the Rugby Union Writers' Club: the Pat Marshall memorial award for the outstanding personality of the season and the Rupert Cherry prize for services to the game.

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FISHING

## Tribunal's ruling goes against claim

By Conrad Voss Bark

A VAT claim on fishing of some £12,000 has been rejected by the Value Added Tax Tribunal in London. The claim was made by Customs and Excise after the sale in December, 1983, of the Plas Madoc fishery above the tidal reach of the Conwy by the Gwydur Hotel, to a local fishing club, for £85,000. The new owners, Mr and Mrs P. J. Parkinson and others, appealed against the claim to the VAT Tribunal, which has now found in their favour.

The tribunal's chairman, Lord Granchester QC, giving the decision, said that in his opinion the sale of the hotel and the fishing rights were made in connection with the termination of the business and that as a result under section 47(5) of the 1983 Act the completion of the sale was made in the course or furtherance of the business and was a taxable supply.

However, the Sixth Council Directive from the European Community had to be considered and this differed materially from the United Kingdom legislation. Article 13 of the directive dealt with exemptions from tax, and it seemed clear that this applied to all supplies of land which have not been built on, other than building land and supplies constituting the leasing or letting of immovable property, subject to certain exclusions.

He took the view that as he was concerned with land that had not been built on, that is to say a part of the bed of the river Conwy, and adjoining land, the supply of the fishery and the fishing rights were prima facie exempt from tax under paragraph (b) of Article 13 B. He therefore came to the conclusion that, under the provisions of the Sixth Council Directive, no tax was chargeable from the vendor to the purchasers despite the provisions of the United Kingdom legislation, the 1983 Act.

Costs of the appeal were sponsored by the Salmon and Trout Association, with a contribution from the Country Landowners' Association. Mr D. A. Shirley appeared for the appellants, instructed by Memery Crystal and Co, and Mr R. L. Barlow for the Commissioners of Customs and Excise.

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RUGBY LEAGUE

## Amateurs in Cup draw

By Keith Macklin

After five years of vigorous campaigning, with much public support, amateur teams will this season again compete in the Silk Cut challange cup. The rule follows talks between the Rugby League and the British Amateur Rugby League Association, who have not been able to enter any teams in the game's major tournamnt for the past five years. The break came because the entry of several new senior clubs into the league left no room for amateur clubs in the first round draw.

Maurice Oldroyd, the national administrator of BARLA and officers of the association have conducted a skilful and, in most people's view, totally justifiable campaign to have the amateur clubs reinstated. In former years the amateur sides have proved big crowd pullers in the opening round, and on some occasions senior clubs have only won through with the skin of their teeth against amateur opposition.

The winners of this season's Lancashire, Yorkshire and Cumbria amateur cups will take their place in a qualifying draw and play-off to decide which two teams will go forward to join six professional clubs in a challenge cup preliminary round early in the new year.

● Salford have decided not to sign Vince Gribben, Whitehaven's 20-year-old Great Britain centre. Gribbin is listed at £40,000 but Salford manager, Kevin Ashcroft, said: "We cannot afford the fee."

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Court of Justice of the European Communities

## Commission liable for breach of confidence

**Adams v Commission of the European Communities**

Case 145/83

Before Lord Mackenzie Stuart, President and Judges U. Everling, K. Bahlmann, R. Joliet, G. Bosco, T. Koopmans, O. Due, Y. Galmot and T. O'Higgins

Advocate General C. F. Mancini

[Judgment delivered November 7]

The obligation imposed by article 214 of the EEC Treaty upon members and servants of the institutions of the Community "not to disclose information of the kind covered by the obligation of professional secrecy" also extended to information supplied by natural persons on a purely voluntary basis but accompanied by a request for confidentiality.

On February 25, 1973, Stanley George Adams, the applicant, who was at the time employed by the Swiss drugs company Hoffmann-La Roche & Co AG (Roche) wrote a letter to the Commission in which he described a number of anti-competitive practices engaged in by Roche.

The final paragraph of that letter contained the following sentences: "I request you not to let my name be connected with this matter. However, I remain at your entire disposal for further information as well as documentary evidence about every point which I have raised in this letter... Additionally, after I leave Roche around July 1973 I would be prepared even to appear before any court to give sworn evidence on my statements."

Following a meeting with Commission officials the applicant sent the Commission photocopies of various internal Roche documents, on the basis of which the Commission commenced an investigation into Roche's activities.

During the course of the investigation, faced with a lack of cooperation by Roche representatives, the Commission officials finally handed over edited copies of the documents.

On the conclusion of the investigation the Commission adopted a decision on June 9, 1976 in which it found that Roche had abused its dominant position in the market for bulk vitamins and imposed a fine of 300,000 units of account on the company. That decision was confirmed in all essential respects by the Court's judgment in Case 85/76 *Hoffmann-La Roche v Commission* ([1979] ECR 461).

Meanwhile, on November 8, 1974, Dr Alder, a lawyer acting for Roche, had met officials of the Commission and indicated that if the Commission would name its informant Roche would cooperate with the investigation and would not institute criminal proceedings against the informant, a step which it was otherwise proposing to take on the basis of article 273 of the Swiss Penal Code. On December 6, 1974 Dr Alder was informed that the Commission would not discuss the origin of the documents in its possession.

On December 31, 1974 the applicant, who had left Roche at the end of October 1973 and settled in Italy with his family, was arrested by the Swiss authorities as he entered Switzerland. On January 1, 1975 he was charged with economic espionage contrary to article 273 of the Swiss Penal Code.

While he was in prison the applicant was held in solitary confinement and was not allowed to communicate with his family. His wife was also interrogated by the Swiss police and on January 10, 1975 she committed suicide. On March 21, 1975 Mr Adams was released on bail and in April he met three Commission officials who promised him that the Commission would pay the legal costs incurred in his defence.

On July 1, 1976 the Strafgericht Basel-Stadt [Criminal Court, Basle] found Mr Adams guilty of offences against articles 162 and 273 of the Swiss Penal Code and sentenced him to one year's imprisonment (suspended). Subsequently, appeals lodged against that decision and applications to reopen the proceedings were dismissed by the Swiss Federal Court.

On May 28, 1982 Mr Adams lodged a petition with the European Commission of Human Rights alleging that the criminal proceedings against him had been conducted in secret, in his absence and contrary to articles 6 and 10 of the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms of November 4, 1950.

By a decision of May 9, 1983 the European Commission of Human Rights rejected that petition as inadmissible on the ground that it was out of time having been introduced more than six months after the date of judgment of the Swiss Federal Court.

On July 18, 1983 the applicant brought an action against the Commission under articles 178 and 215 of the EEC Treaty for compensation for the damage which he claimed to have suffered as a result of wrongful acts or omissions on the part of the Commission and in particular:

(a) the disclosure on various occasions of information and documents which made it possible to identify him as the source of the information which led the Commission to impose a fine on Roche

(b) the failure to advise him that he had the right to petition the European Commission on Human Rights in respect of the criminal proceedings instituted against him by the Swiss authorities.

In his reply the applicant complained in addition that the Commission had failed to warn him of the risks that he would run if he returned to Switzerland.

With the agreement of the parties the Court decided that the scope of the proceedings should, for the time being, be limited to the questions whether there was a basis for liability and whether the applicant's action was time-barred.

In its judgment the Court of Justice of the European Communities held as follows:

**Liability issue**

As to the existence of a duty of confidentiality it had to be pointed out that article 214 of the EEC Treaty imposed an obligation in particular on members and officials of the institutions of the Community "not to disclose information of the kind covered by the obligation of professional secrecy in particular information about undertakings, their business relations or their cost components".

Although that provision referred primarily to information gathered from undertakings, the expression "in particular" showed that the principle in question was a general one which applied also to information supplied by natural persons if that information was "of the kind" that was confidential.

That was particularly so in the case of information supplied on a purely voluntary basis but accompanied by a request for confidentiality in order to protect the informant's anonymity. An institution which accepted such information was bound to comply with such a condition.

As to the case before the Court, it was quite clear from the applicant's letter of February 25, 1973 that he had requested the Commission not to reveal his identity. It could not therefore be denied that the Commission was bound by a duty of confidentiality towards the applicant in that respect.

In fact the parties disagreed not so much as to the existence of such a duty but as to whether the Commission was bound by a duty of confidentiality after the applicant had left Roche.

In that respect it was to be noted that the applicant had not qualified his request by indicating a time at which the Commission's duty of confidentiality regarding his indentity would expire. No such indication could be inferred from the fact that he was prepared to appear before any court after he had left Roche.

The giving of evidence before a court implied that the witness had been duly summoned, that he was under a duty to answer the questions put to him and was, in return, entitled to all the guarantees provided by a judicial procedure. It had therefore to be stated that the Commission was under a duty to keep the applicant's identity secret after he had left his employer.

Of three occasions mentioned by the applicant upon which the Commission acted in breach of that duty the only one on which the Commission directly revealed the identity of its informant was a telephone conversation in early February 1975.

At that time the applicant had already admitted to the Swiss police that he had given information to the Commission and it was clear from the decisions of the Swiss courts that the confirmation of that fact in the telephone conversation had not had a decisive bearing on the applicant's conviction.

It was clear that the production of the edited photocopies had enabled Roche to identify the applicant as the main suspect in the complaint which it lodged with the Swiss Public Prosecutor's Office.

It was therefore that handing over of the documents which led to the applicant's arrest.

However, it was not necessary to decide whether the production of the documents was sufficient to give rise to the Commission's liability regarding the consequences of the applicant's having been identified as the informant.

Although the Commission had not necessarily been aware, when those documents were produced, of the gravity of the risk to which it was exposing the applicant, Dr Adler's visit on November 8, 1974 had provided it with all the necessary information in that respect.

As a result of that visit the Commission knew that Roche was determined to discover how the Commission had come into possession of the documents in question and that it was preparing to lay a complaint against the informant under article 273 of the Swiss Penal Code, the contents of which Dr Alder explained.

In those circumstances it was not sufficient for the Commission merely to take the view that it was unlikely that the applicant would be identified, that he would probably never return to Switzerland and that, in any event, the Swiss authorities did not intend to prosecute him.

On the contrary the Commission was under a duty to take every possible step to warn the applicant, thereby enabling him to make his own arrangements in the light of the information given by Dr Alder, and to consult him as to the approach to be adopted in relation to Dr Alder's proposals.

It was common ground that the Commission had not even attempted to find the applicant although it had allowed almost one month to elapse before communicating to Dr Alder its final refusal to discuss the origin of the documents.

It therefore had to be concluded that, by failing to make all reasonable efforts to pass on to the applicant the information which was available to it following Dr Alder's visit of November 8, 1974, even though the communication of that information might have prevented, or at least limited the damage which was likely to result from the discovery of the applicant's identity by means of the documents which it handed over to Roche, the Commission was liable towards the applicant in respect of that damage.

The applicant's claim that, by failing to advise him in good time of his right to petition the European Commission of Human Rights, the Commission of the European Communities had failed to fulfil its duty to him to give him proper professional advice, was clearly ill founded.

**Time-bar issue**

The Commission contended that the applicant's action was time-barred under article 42 of the Protocol on the Statute of the Court of Justice of the EEC. All the events upon which the applicant founded his action occurred more than five years before it was brought. In the Commission's view article 43 did not require that the applicant should have had knowledge of those events in good time.

According to article 43 of the Protocol "proceedings against the Community in matters arising from non-contractual liability shall be barred after a period of five years from the occurrence of the event giving rise thereto".

That provision was to be interpreted as meaning that the expiry of the limitation period could not constitute a valid defence to a claim by a person who had suffered damage where that person only belatedly became aware of the event giving rise to it and thus could not have had reasonable time in which to submit his application to the Court or to the relevant institution before the expiry of the limitation period.

In this case it had to be borne in mind that the Court had based its conclusion concerning the Community's liability on the fact that the Commission had not attempted to inform or to consult the applicant following Dr Alder's visit of November 8, 1974. It was clear from the information before the Court that the applicant could not have become aware of that visit until the preparatory inquiry in these proceedings since Dr Alder's visit had been mentioned for the first time in the Commission's defence.

Therefore he could not have sought to establish the Community's liability on that basis before the normal date of expiry of the limitation period. It followed that the Commission's objection had to be dismissed.

**Damages**

It had therefore to be concluded that, in principle, the Commission was bound to make good the damage resulting from the discovery of the applicant's identity by means of the documents handed over to Roche by the Commission.

It had, however, to be recognized that the extent of the Commission's liability was diminished by reason of the applicant's own negligence. The applicant had failed to inform the Commission that it was possible to infer his identity as the informant from the documents themselves, although he was in the best position to appreciate and to avert that risk; nor had he asked the Commission to keep him informed of the progress of its investigation of Roche or of any use that might be made of the documents for that purpose.

Finally, he had returned to Switzerland without attempting to make any inquiries in that respect, although he must have been aware of the risks to which his conduct towards his former employer had exposed him with regard to Swiss legislation.

Consequently, the applicant himself had contributed significantly to the damage which he had suffered. In assessing the conduct of the Commission on the one hand and that of the applicant on the other, the Court considered it equitable to apportion responsibility for that damage equally between the two parties.

On those grounds, the Court, as an interlocutory decision:

1. Ordered the Commission to compensate the applicant to the extent of one half of the damage suffered by him as a result of the fact that he was identified as the source of information which led the Commission to impose a fine on his former employer, the Swiss company Hoffmann-La Roche, for certain anti-competitive practices;
2. For the rest, dismissed the application;
3. Ordered the parties to inform the Court within nine months from the delivery of this judgment of the amount of damages arrived at by agreement;
4. Ordered that, in the absence of agreement, the parties should transmit to the Court within the same period a statement of their views with supporting fugures;
5. Reserved the costs.

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Motoring by Clifford Webb

# Europe challenges Japan on new technology

European car manufacturers are still trying to close the gap between the cost of producing a car here and in Japan. Labour forces have been slashed mercilessly and more cuts are on the way. Vast sums have been spent on automation, robots and computerized design and manufacturing. But the Japanese are not standing still and their price advantage of between £1,500 and £2,000 a car (depending on which country they are being compared with) remains frustratingly out of reach.

So the Europeans, including our own Austin Rover, are trying another tack. They are pushing ahead with the introduction of new technology in the car itself at a rate which is alarming the Japanese and forcing them to interrupt the smooth flow of their highly geared factories to introduce designs which are much too technically advanced for the conservative tastes of Japanese drivers.

Four-wheel drive, anti-skid braking, fuel injection and electronic engine management are becoming standard fitting on more and more European cars. They make fast driving safer and more economical. As I saw in Japan last week, motorists there drive so slowly and with such rigid discipline that four-wheel drive and anti-skid braking are regarded as bad weather aids only and therefore low on the priority list.

Japanese manufacturers who were represented in great strength at the Frankfurt Motor Show in September, were shocked and alarmed by the technology race revealed there in full for the first time.

Their reports on their return had a big effect on both the exhibits and methods of promotion at the current Tokyo Motor Show. Past Japanese shows have tended to be very domestic in their content and presentation. Little attempt was made to cater for the foreign press. Detailed information on so-called "concept" or prototype cars was not available.

Last week I was offered so many fact sheets on new and experimental cars that I could carry only a fraction on the return flight. New technology of every kind was thrust at me, from satellite navigation systems to four-wheel steering, from a ceramic engine to one using both a supercharger and a turbocharger.

The aim was clearly to persuade European motoring writers that, late they may be, but Japanese car makers have now taken up the technology challenge in a big way. But as a senior Volkswagen engineer told me: "We are forcing them to make cars with higher performance, better handling, more technically advanced than they really want. With over three million of their cars being sold on the domestic market every year, that is a major additional factor for them, because the Japanese motorist is not going to be sold an inferior "for Japanese use only" model for much longer.

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Nissan Cue-X: A rapturous reception at motor show

## British Nissan

The "We will not be left behind" theme was emphasised by engineers and designers responsible for the new Nissan car which will be assembled in Britain starting next year. At the company's Tochigy test track, Mr Osamu Machida, the project team leader, insisted on accompanying me during trial runs to point out the many ways in which the Stanza replacement has been designed to cope with the harder-driving European.

"We had 20 men in Europe for three years to make sure we got the road holding, handling and ride right for your tastes. We know you were critical of these aspects of the old Stanza".

Track testing, no matter how extensive and varied, is no real substitute for actual road work, but it was immediately apparent that the new Stanza is streets ahead of its predecessor. Straight-line steering at speeds up to 125 mph in the turbocharged version of the Montego "lookalike" was very stable. The old model was inclined to wander. Cornering was safe and predictable after a few exploratory circuits had shown that its limits are now much higher.

The equipment, trim and comfort are on a par with the average European midrange saloon. The body styling is hardly exciting, but then this car is intended to make an impact on the fleet market, and as one of Mr Machida's team commented: "We saw what happened to the Sierra. It was a controversial shape and let the more conservative Cavalier take much of Ford's fleet market."

## Japanese Jaguar

The new Stanza – it may have another name in Britain – is not the only Nissan "lookalike" for a established *British* car. The Cue-X (Concept for Urban Executive) prototype luxury saloon came in for a lot of attention from Jaguar executives at the show; and for good reason. Its dimensions are almost identical to those of the new and as yet unseen (officially) Jaguar XJ40, and according to one British car designer "as near dammit in looks as well".

Jaguars are still few and far between on the streets of Japan but their exclusivity gives them a cachet superior even to Mercedes, Cue-X is said to be only a working prototype but the fact that a Japanese manufacturer is developing a car at all in this class is a big departure from the mass-produced faceless models it has tried unsuccessfully to promote as status cars in the past.

A V6, three-litre engine with double overhead camshafts, four valves per cylinder and twin turbochargers, using ceramic turbines, develops around 30 bhp, drives all four wheels with electronic "*intelligence*" *controlling* both the torque split between front and rear wheels and automatic gear selections.

The suspension system uses air, with electric sensors checking height, speed, steering, braking, throttle opening and transmission before operating valves to regulate the air springs.

I almost forgot. It also has anti-skid braking and four-wheel steering. At this stage the intention is not to allow the rear wheels to turn *to acute angles, although the ability* to jump sideways would be a godsend in Tokyo's dreadful traffic. Instead, the rear wheels will be restricted to 0.5 degrees' movement. It is claimed that even this minor variation improves high speed handling.

How soon can we see Cue-X on the road? Nissan says: "Nothing in Cue-X is beyond the realm of practical reality but that does not mean you can expect us to market a car based on it in the near future."

Personally, I would take that with a pinch of salt. Certainly all the new technology will not be present in the first son of Cue-X but after the rapturous reception it received at the motor show I would lay odds on it appearing within the next two years.

## Mazda injection

For some reason Mazda has been late in reaping the advantages of fuel injection for family cars as well as high-performance flyers. Injection was first introduced to Mazdas in Japan about a year ago but is only now reaching the British market.

The *Escort-size 323 1.6i* three-door hatchback and the Sierra-sized 626 2.0i in coupé, saloon and hatchback form are now on sale in addition to existing carburettor models.

They are attractively priced against all the competition. The 323i at £6.799 compares with the Peugeot 205 GTi at £6,945, the Vauxhall Astra GTE at 7,885 and the Volkswagen Golf GTi at £8,295. The 626 2.0i coupé at £8,399 undercuts the Sierra 2.0i by some £600 and the Vauxhall Cavalier 1.8i CD by more than £1,000.

Brief test runs recently suggest that while performance has improved significantly the new fuel-injection models are not in the same league as the latest turbo or multi-valve flyers. But the improvement in flexibility combined with the already impressive ride comfort, means that anyone considering spending a little extra on a family car must put them on his list.

The all-new 323 range was introduced here only three months ago. But the 626 is now three years old and in need of the detailed refinement now introduced in 1986 models.

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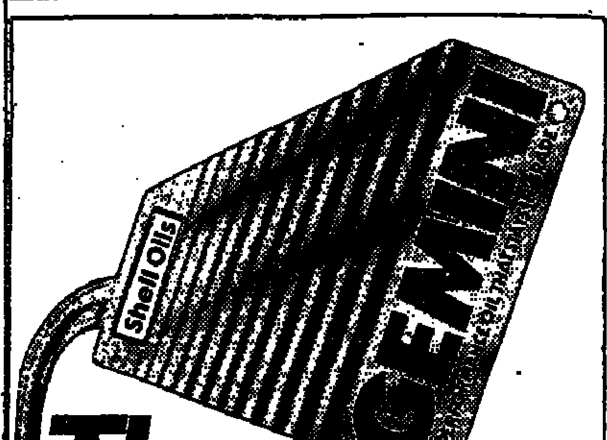

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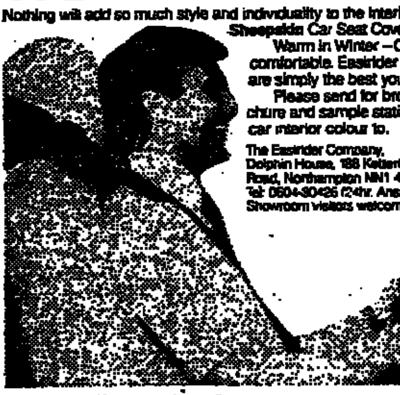

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**COOKE.** On November 4th, to Henrietta (née Chamier) and Jonathan, a daughter.

**GOLDING.** – On November 6th 1985 to Diane (née Valia) and Steven a beautiful daughter Victoria Jane.

**GRAVES.** On October 1985, in Spring, Texas, to Lionel and Jane, a son Stuart David, a brother to Ryan and Alistair.

**HAROLD.** – To David & Meredith (nee Lewis) – a son (Jeremy Martyn) on November 3, 1985, in Zug, Switzerland.

**HORSFALL.** – on November 6th at Birmingham Maternity Hospital, to Elisabeth (nee Chaplin) and Andrew, a daughter, Kate.

**HOWELLS.** – On November 6th, to Roger and Rowena – a son.

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**SCHELLER** – On November 4th to Debra (née Brewer) and Martin, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth.

**SUTTLE.** On Nov 5 in Dorchester to Rosemary (née Warren) and Stephen, a daughter, Katharine Helena Louise.

**WORTHINGTON** – On 5th November 1985 to Jane and David – a daughter, Henrietta Mary, a sister for Edward, (temporarily at Leithside, Bridge Road, Leith Woods, Bristol BS8).

## BIRTHDAYS

**ALAN JAMES CURRIE** is 80 today, happy birthday, love Maureen, Heidi & Bruce, Lucy.

## DEATHS

**ASHTON, ERIC HAYTON,** PhD, DSc. (professor of anatomy, Birmingham University) suddenly on 2nd November 1985 at his home, Grove Lane, Harborne, Birmingham. Beloved husband of Claire and dear father of Jonathan and Elizabeth, in his 60th year. Cremation, Lodge Hill, Monday 11th November at 2.30 pm. *Family flowers only please.* Enquiries and donations for British Heart Foundation to A B Taylor Funeral Services Ltd, 49 Wolverhampton Road South, Birmingham B32 2AY. Tel 021 420 3666.

**BENNETT,** Max, on 5th November 1985, after a long illness, husband of Margaret and father of Stephen. Formerly of the Performing Rights Society. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium on Wednesday, November 13th at 2.45 pm (East Chapel). Donations if wished to the Nurses League, Middlesex Hospital, Mortimer Street, London, W1.

**BETHUNE CHARLES.** – On 5th November, 1985, at Rush Court, Wallingford, Oxfordshire, peacefully, aged 85. Third son of George Maximilian Bethune and Elizabeth his wife. Beloved husband of Lilla, father of Lawless, Flora, Geraldine and Hugh, grandfather of Oliver, Toby, Leonora and Abigail. Requiescat in pace.

**BROOK** – On November 6th peacefully at his parents home after much suffering bravely borne, Richard Stephen Waltham, aged 46 years, of Little Stead, Thorpe Lane, Almondbury, Huddersfield. The beloved only son of Dr and Mrs Frank Brook, a dearly loved brother of Julia and uncle of Richard and Stephanie. Service takes place at All Hallows Church, Almondbury, Huddersfield, on Monday, 11th November at 2.45 p.m. to be followed by cremation at Huddersfield Crematorium. Will friends please accept this the only intimation and kindly meet at church. Family flowers only please, but donations may be sent in lieu if desired, to Cancer Research, c/o Mr S. Harrowby, 32 Ross Avenue, Marsh, Huddersfield.

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## DEATHS

**SMITH.** On November 4th 1985 at home, Ronald R P, aged 62. Dearly loved husband of Margaret, father of Martin and Roland. Funeral service at All Saints Church, Sanderstead, on November 12th at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to St Christophers Hospice, Sydenham, SE26.

**SWANGER.** – On November 7th, 1985, peacefully at his home after a short illness, Alfred, aged 71, very dear husband of Rosemary. Funeral service Wednesday, November 13th 10.30 am at The Church of the Holy Angels, Lilliput Road, Lilliput, Poole. Interment following at Bournemouth North Cemetery. Flowers may be sent to Deric Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

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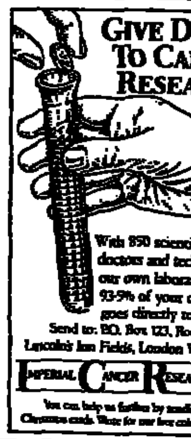

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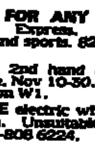

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In the matter of TOBERMORRY Limited and in the matter of The Companies Act 1985.

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Dated this 30th day of October 1985.
D. A. T. WOOD
Liquidator

HENRY M. ENDELMAN & CO. LIMITED

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 588 of the Companies Act, 1985 that a Meeting of the creditors of Henry M. Endelman & Co. Limited, will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., situated at 30 Eastbourne Terrace (2nd Floor) London W2 6LF on Friday the 22nd day of November 1985 at 12.00 o'clock for the purposes provided for in Sections 589 and 590.

Dated the 31st day of October 1985.
HENRY M. ENDELMAN
Director

OSCAR BUILDERS LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Section 588 of the Companies Act, 1985, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at 25 Harley Street, London, W1N 2BR, on Wednesday, the 20th day of November, 1985, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 589 and 590 of the said Act.

Dated this 4th day of November, 1985.
J SANGER,
Secretary.

No. 25 (Rule 58 (6))

In the Matter of NATIONWIDE SHOPFITTERS Limited.

By order of the HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE dated the 17th day of October 1985 Mr MELVYN L. ROSE, FCA, Udgra House, 250 Kingsbury Road, London NW9 0BS has been appointed Liquidator of the above-named Company without a Committee of Inspection.

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Dated 4 November 1985
DAVID McKENNA
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Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

## BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, traffic and sports bulletins.

6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Debbie Greenwood. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and travel at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; consumer report at 8.15; plus, improving Britain's football image.

9.20 Ceefax. 10.30 Play School, presented by Stuart McGugan. 10.50 Ceefax.

12.30 News After Noon with Frances Coverdale and Moira Stuart includes subtitled news headlines. 12.55 Regional news.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One with Marian Foster and Bob Langley. Among the guests are, on the eve of National Astronomy Week, Heather Couper, president of the British Astronomical Association, and, in the Pebble Mill garden, Peter Seabrook. 1.45 Trumpton.

2.00 Racing from Cheltenham. Coverage of four races from the Spinal Injuries Association Raceday card – the Allied Dunbar Handicap Steeplechase (2.10); the John Seyfried Mickleton Steeplechase (2.45); and the British Beef Company Hurdle (3.20). The 3.35 race is on BBC2. At approximately 2.15 there is a two furlong celebrities' wheelchair race in which Virginia Holgate is among those taking part. 3.35 Ceefax. 3.52 Regional news.

3.55 Tottie. For the very young (r). 4.10 Yogi Bear. Two cartoons. 4.20 Beat the Teacher. Paul Jones presents the final of the general knowledge contest. 4.35 The Family-Ness. Cartoon series about a family of monsters living in a Scottish loch (r). 4.40 Record Breakers presented by Roy Castle.

5.10 Grange Hill. Episode six and Zammo feels victimized (Ceefax) (r).

5.35 Masterteam. Another round of the team general knowledge quiz presented by Angela Rippon.

6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.

6.35 London Plus.

7.00 Wogan. Among tonight's guests are Susannah York, Mike Harding and Junior and Choir.

7.40 Blankety Blank. Les Dawson's guests are Floella Benjamin, Katie Boyle, Susan Hanson, Alfred Marks, Duncan Norvelle and Peter Stringfellow (Ceefax).

8.10 Dynasty. True love does not run smoothly for three couples. Krystle decides to leave Blake; ditto Claudia to Steven; while Amanda's hopes of wearing a royal tiara take a tumble when her relationship with Prince Michael hits a rocky patch. Elsewhere, Jeff is determined to bed Lady Ashley but she has set her sights on Blake (Ceefax).

9.00 News with John Humphrys and Andrew Harvey. Weather.

9.25 Bergerac. An old adversary in the shape of Philippa Vale (played by Liza Goddard) re-appears on the island, intent on recovering stolen jewels she was forced to abandon during an earlier episode (Ceefax).

10.20 The Visit: PC Philip Olds (see Choice).

11.10 Film: The Defection of Simus Kidurka (1977) starring Alan Arkin, Donald Pleasence and Shirley Knight. The story, based on fact, of the spontaneous defection of a Russian trawlerman who jumps on board a United States Coast Guard cutter off the coast of Massachussetts and asks for political asylum. Directed by David Lowell Rich.

12.45 Weather.

## TV-am

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.17, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; exercises at 6.20; sport at 6.35 and 7.34; cartoon at 7.24; pop video at 7.55; Nigel Dempster's gossip column at 8.17; Jimmy Greaves's television highlights at 8.34; Youth Week Special at 9.04 includes guest, Lord Young.

## ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines.

9.30 For Schools: Preview 9.35 If I ruled the world .. 9.47 How we used to live – comparing life in rural areas with living in the city. 10.09 Maths: triangles. 10.26 The Youth Training Scheme from the point of view of a trainee. 10.48 English: understanding television. 11.15 How steel band instruments are made. 11.27 Going to hospital by ambulance for an X-ray. 11.44 Surveys of leisure activities.

12.00 Heggerty Haggerty. George Cole with another tale about the friendly witch. 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets and guest Sally Gregory (Oracle). 12.30 Six Centuries of Verse, introduced by John Gielgud. Restoration and Augustan poetry. 1660 to 1745 (r).

1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 Film: Our Family Business (1981) starring Sam Wanamaker. A made-for-television gangster movie about a crime boss, recently released from prison, who is the target of an unknown person who had him convicted earlier. Directed by Robert Collins.

3.00 The Adventurer finds himself looking for a friend in Switzerland (r). 3.25 Thames news headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters.

4.00 Rainbow. A repeat of the programme shown at 12.10. 4.15 Doris. Cartoon (r). 4.25 Worldwise. Computer-based quiz game (Oracle).

4.50 Gymnastics. Dickie Davies is in Montreal for the 1985 World Championships.

5.45 News with Martyn Lewis.

6.00 The 6 O'Clock Show.

7.00 Albion Market. Keith is driven to something that will scar him for life (Oracle).

7.30 Me and My Girl. Comedy series starring Richard O'Sullivan as a widower bringing up a teenage daughter.

8.00 T J Hooker. The policeman discovers that the only witness to a murder is a student who supplements her grant by taking to prostitution.

9.00 The Black Tower. The first episode of a P D James thriller in which the redoubtable Adam Dalgleish, after a brush with danger during a drugs raid, decides to accept an invitation from an old family friend who is chaplain at a private nursing home. Starring Roy Marsden (Oracle) (see Choice).

10.00 News at Ten. Weather, followed by London news headlines.

10.30 The London Programme. John Taylor presents an investigation into the case of John Mikkelsen, a black member of the Hell's Angels who died in police custody.

11.00 No Problem. Comedy series about a family of young Jamaicans living in a house in London's Willesden (r).

11.30 Film: Theo Against the Rest of the World (1980) starring Marius Mueller-Westernhagen. Lighthearted adventure about a truck-owner who, with a pair of reluctant assistants, goes in chase of the gang that hijacked his new vehicle. Directed by Peter F. Bringmann.

1.20 Night Thoughts.

PC Philip Olds: The Visit, BBC 1, 10.20pm

## CHOICE

● Where's your wheelchair? someone asks bullet-crippled Police-constable Philip Olds in THE VISIT (BBC1, 10.20pm). Haven't got a clue, comes the reply. That just about sums up the final film in Desmond Wilcox's fine trilogy about the medical scientists who bring a semblance of normality to the lives of men and women who otherwise would never again put one foot in front of another, for whom the wheelchair, once a prison, is now just another aid to propulsion. Tonight's film bears the sub-title *Marching Forward*. Factually, an over-statement. But it does indicate the extent of optimism that wraps itself around both the victims and their expert redeemers. The latter now include Roy Douglas, a British prosthetic engineer, and designer of a harness of plastic and steel. It is this brace, when married to Jerrold Petrofsky's electrical stimulation system that featured in the first two films, that has given PC Olds a shuffling mobility that at one time would have seemed beyond the powers of man to achieve. *The Visit*, like Mr Wilcox's documentaries *The Boy David*, is inspirational television of a very high order.

● Simulated normality, against heavy odds, is also the theme of WELL BEING (Channel 4, 10.30pm) which is about blindness and what some victims and aid organizations are doing to minimize its effects. Not all the triumphs we see tonight are as spectacular as that of the blind woman who drives a racing car around the circuit. Robert Carter's film is directed, too, at the sighted, wagging a chiding finger at those of us who talk to the blind as if they were deaf, and at those educationalists who fail to realize that by not integrating blind schoolchildren with sighted, they are sowing the seeds of isolation.

● THE BLACK TOWER (ITV, 9.00pm), Anglia's latest dramatization of a P. D. James murder yarn, is faithful to its predecessors in its principal casting (Roy Marsden is again Dalgliesh of the Yard, though now physically and psychologically maimed), its music (Richard Harvey's wistful scoring for strings), and its neurotic interplay between characters in a confined setting (nursing home with monastic trimmings but otherwise very worldly). Whose hands pushed the wheelchair and its occupant over a cliff? The needle of suspicion points in almost as many directions as there are in a compass.

**Peter Davalle**

## BBC 2

9.00 Ceefax.

9.35 Daytime on Two: Italian conversation 9.25 Part six of the ghost story for children, Dark Towers 10.15 Maths: angles 10.38 The role of the Church in the Middle Ages 11.00 Living in 17th century Scotland 11.22 A profile of a family who have moved from the Brazilian countryside to the slums of Belo Horizonte. 11.44 To join a trade union or not 12.05 An introduction to the use of computers 12.35 Computers – robots (ends at 1.00) 1.10 Science: sound used to illustrate waves 1.33 The first of two films on alternative therapies and medicines 2.00 With a group of teenagers as they tackle a two-week army adventure course 2.30 English: two scenes from Romeo and Juliet and Twelfth Night.

3.00 Ceefax

3.35 Racing from Cheltenham, continued from BBC 1 – the Philip Cornes Novices' Hurdle (3.55).

4.10 Ceefax.

5.10 News summary with subtitles. Weather.

5.15 Monkey. Pigsy goes in search of vampires (r).

6.00 Film: Tarzan and the She-Devil* (1953) starring Lex Barker for the last time as the jungle hero, and Joyce Mackenzie. Tarzan saves a tribe of male warriors who are threatened by the beautiful but evil Lyra, the Ivory Queen. Directed by Kurt Neumann.

7.15 Micro Live. This week's edition examines the role of computers in schools.

8.00 Zoo 2000. Part two of Jeremy Cherfas's series (r).

8.30 Going to Pot. Susan Hampshire and Geoff Hamilton present another in the series of programmes about the care of houseplants.

9.00 Entertainment US, introduced by Jonathan King from Tampa Bay, Florida. The irrepressible Mr King meets British pop group Tears for Fears.

9.30 Now the War is Over. This film in the series about Britain between 1945 and 1951 deals with education.

10.10 Did You See ...? Dynasty, 40 Minutes's Forget-Me-Not, and Hannibal's Footsteps are discussed by Ludovic Kennedy, Janet Street Porter, Waldemar Januszczak and John Ardagh. In addition, students of Queens' College, Cambridge, comment on the documentary series about their alma mater.

10.55 Newsnight includes a report by Joan Bakewell on the work of one of the Turner Prize short list, painter Terry Atkinson. 11.45 Weather.

11.50 Film: Attack!* (1956) starring Jack Palance, Eddie Albert and Lee Marvin. Second World War drama about a cowardly captain, his corrupt colonel, and an altruistic lieutenant. Directed by Robert Aldrich. Ends at 1.35.

## CHANNEL 4

2.15 Their Lordships' House. A repeat of last night's *programme of highlights from* the day's proceedings in the House of Lords.

2.30 Counting On. Part three of Fred Harris's series taking the mystique out of mathematics deals with metrication (r).

3.00 Friday Concert. Hesperion XX, who were established in 1974 and specialize in Spanish and Italian music of the Renaissance and Baroque, play works by Willaert, Mazzacchi and Guami, on lutes, viols and sackbuts.

3.50 Shades of Green. The Irish writer, John B. Keane, talks about the last Irish matchmaker (r).

4.00 How We Learned to Ski. Part three of the ski-ing course for beginners, intermediates and advanced skiers. The beginners end their 11-day course under the watchful eye of expert Ali Ross; and the intermediates arrive in Wengen where the locals show them a thing or two about technique (r).

4.30 Countdown. Cliff Loy, a retired schoolmaster from Sheffield is the new challenger.

5.00 I Dream of Jeannie. Tony decides that Jeannie must have a hobby to keep her out of mischief and suggests writing a book about children.

5.30 The Tube, presented by Jools Holland and Paula Yates. Making his first, live, appearance in Studio 5 is Elton John. Also performing live are The Fall and Marc Almond and the Willing Sisters.

7.00 Channel Four news with Alastair Stewart. Weather.

7.30 Right To Reply, presented by Gus Macdonald. ITV's version of the Operation Julie drugs story is challenged.

8.00 What the Papers Say with Julia Langdon of The Mirror.

8.15 A Week in Politics introduced by Peter Jay. Reports on manufacturers' relationships with the Government and on Sunday trading.

9.00 Tell the Truth. Diana Harron, Jayne Irving, Christopher Matthew and Robin Nedwell interrogate three people to see if they can discover which one of them is telling the truth.

9.30 The Great Plant Collections. Roy Lancaster, visits the gardens of Mount Stewart, on the east shore of Strangeford Lough in County Down.

10.00 The Four Seasons. American sit-com series (Oracle).

10.30 Well Being, presented by Alison Waters (see Choice).

11.15 Film: The Tempest (1979). An off-beat version of Shakespeare's play starring Heathcote Williams as a Prospero living in a crumbling Georgian mansion on an island to which he lures his enemies. With Toyah Willcox as Miranda. Directed by Derek Jarman. From the season of David Robinson-chosen films. Ends at 1.00.

## Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF stereo

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer.†

6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News; 6.45, Business News; 6.55, 7.55, Weather; 7.00, 8.00, News; 7.25, 8.25, Sport; 7.45, Thought for the Day; 8.35, Letters; 8.50, Yesterday in Parliament; 8.57, Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.

9.05 Baker's Dozen. Richard Baker with records.†

9.45 The Educating of Harry Soan. Last of four reflections by the veteran broadcaster (r).

10.00 News; International Assignment. Reports from BBC reporters.

10.30 Morning Story: The Last of the O'Donnells, by John G. Miller. Reader: John Westbrook.

10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 84).†

11.00 News; Travel; The Day The Prime Minister Was Sacked. David Butler considers the dismissal of Australian Prime Minister Gough Whitlam by the Governor-General 10 years ago (r).

11.48 Natural Selection. David Streeter finds a throng of creatures at work on a cowpat.

12.00 News; You And Yours. Consumer advice, with Pattie Coldwell.

12.27 The Wow Show. It Shouldn't Happen to a Vet (r).† 12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World At One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes a feature about cavers and cave-diving.

3.00 News; Shirley. Final part of a dramatization of Charlotte Bronte's novel, with Moir Leslie as Shirley Keeldar (5) (r). †

4.00 News.

4.05 News Huddlines. Roy Hudd with Alison Steadman, Chris Emmett and The Huddliners.†

4.30 Kaleidoscope. Includes exhibition at the Marlborough Gallery (r).

5.00 PM: News magazine; 5.50 Shipping; 5.55 Weather.

6.00 News; Financial Report.

6.30 Going Places (Clive Jacobs). The world of travel and transport. Tom Boswell tests the Saab 9000.

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 Pick of the Week. Margaret Howard with a selection of TV and radio extracts.†

8.20 Law in Action (Joshua Rozenberg).

8.45 Any Questions? David Puttnam, Baroness Phillips, Sir Edward du Cann and Dr Sheila Cassidy discuss questions from an audience in Chard, Somerset.

9.30 Letter From America by Alistair Cooke.

9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on the BBC TV series Black Silk and the film Weird Science.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Plain or Ringlets? by R. S. Surtees (5). Reader: John Franklyn-Robbins. 10.29 Weather.

10.30 The World Tonight.

11.00 Today in Parliament.

11.05 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Week Ending. Satirical review of the Week's news.

12.00 News; Weather; 12.33 Shipping.

VHF (available in England and S. Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel; 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Singing Together†; 11.20 Introducing Geography; 11.40 The Music Box†; 11.50 See For Yourself; 1.55-3.00pm For Schools: 1.55 Listening Corner; 2.00 Let's Join In; 2.25 Listen and Read; 2.40 Listen!; 5.50-5.55 PM (continued); 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-time Broadcasting. Radio History 11-14: 12.30 America in the 19th Century; 12.50 The Immigrants.

## Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Morning Concert: Berlioz's overture Le Carnaval Romainco (Berlin PO): Bach's Chaconne, partita in D minor, arranged Busoni (Ronald Smith, piano); Mozart's Flute Quartet in D, K 285 (Hall, flute; Barritt, violin; Clarkson, viola; Horder, cello); Liszt's St Francis of Assisi preaching to the birds (Berlin RSO).† 8.00 News.

8.05 Morning Concert (contd): Byrd and Vittoria's setting of O Quam Gloriosum (King's College, Cambridge Choir); Stravinsky's Concerto in E flat, Dumbarton Oaks (Ensemble Intercontemporain); Angelo Gilardino's Cancion Triste; Canto di Primavera (Artzt, guitar); Samuel Wesley's Symphony No 5 (European Community CO).† 9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composers: William Alwyn and Alan Rawsthorne. Alwyn's Symphony No 5 (LPO); and Rawsthorne's overture, Street Corner (LPO), and Piano Concerto No 2 (Binns/LSO).†

10.00 Haydn: Sonata in E flat, H XVI 49; Variations in F minor, H XVII 6, played by Linda Nicholson (fortepiano).†

10.40 Langham Chamber Orchestra (under Brouwer). Mozart's Adagio and Fugue in C minor, K 546; Gorecki's Three pieces in old style; Warlock's Capriol Suite; Brouwer's Canciones Remotas.†

11.35 Auric: The Last Boat. With John York (piano solo), Dinah Harris (soprano) and Gordon Stewart (piano).†

12.10 BBC Welsh SO (under Yansons). With Howard Shelley (piano). Part one. Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No 3.† 1.00 News.

1.05 Concert: part two. Tchaikovsky's Symphony No 6.†

2.00 Music from the Castle Museum, York: Tomkins's A Toye made at Poole Court, etc; Paradisi's Vivace; Toccata, Sonata in A major; Mozart's Rondo in D major, K 485; Clementi's Sonata in F sharp minor.†

2.30 Hindemith: The composer conducts and plays. Trauermusik (Hindemith, viola and Orchestra); Symphonic Dances (Berlin PO); Sonata for piano duet (Jesus Maria Sanroma and the composer).†

3.25 Baroque Music from Kassel: Musica Antiqua Cologne play Biber's Partita No 5 in G minor; Sonata No 4 in D; and Fasch's Quartet in D minor.†

4.00 Choral Evensong: from St Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York.† 4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: Andrew Keener with recorded music.†

6.30 Music for Two Guitars: Sergio and Odair Assad. Castelnuovo-Tedesco's Preludes and Fugues Op 199, Nos 7 and 17; Rodrigo's Tonadilla; Gnatalli's Valsa; Corta Jaca.†

7.00 Still Managing to Fiddle: Roger Wright talks to the 76-year-old violinist Josef Gingold.

7.30 Takacs Quartet: part one. Haydn's Quartet in G Op 76 No 1; Bartok's Quartet No 3.†

8.10 Reader Reception Theory: a talk by Helmut Bonheim, Professor of English at Cologne University.

8.30 Recital: part two. Beethoven's Quartet in E minor, Op 59 No 2.†

9.15 La famille africaine; John Keay presents the fourth of five documentaries about French West Africa. Tonight's contributors include Leopold Senghor, Boubacar Barry and Marcien Towa.

10.00 Frank Bridge: Wolfgang Manz plays the Piano Sonata.†

10.30 Schumann: BBC SO under Gunter Wand play the Symphony No 4.†

11.00 William Alwyn: Six Nocturnes (Luxon, baritone; Willison, piano); Fantasy-Sonata, Naiades (Hyde-Smith, flute and Robles, harp); String Quartet No 1 (Quartet of London).†

11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.

## Radio 2

News on the hour (except 9.0pm). Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30. Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (MW), 9.55. 4.00am Colin Berry.† 6.00 Ray Moore.† 8.05 Ken Bruce.† 10.30 Jimmy Young. Legal questions are answered by Bill Thomas. 1.05pm David Jacobs.† 2.00 Gloria Hunniford.† 3.30 Music All The Way.† 4.00 David Hamilton.† 6.00 John Dunn.† 8.00 Friday Night is Music Night. Star singers are Lorna Dallas and Wynford Evans.† 9.15 The Organist Entertains (Nigel Ogden) includes the life and work of John Mann. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 A Proper Charlie (new series) Jack Smethurst returns as Charlie Garside. 10.30 Vilem Tausky with Tessa Khambatta. 11.00 Late Night Friday with John Hosken (stereo from midnight). 1.00am Steve Madden presents Nightride.† 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.†

## Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12 midnight. 6.00am Adrian John. 7.30 Mike Read. 9.30 Simon Bates. 12.30pm Newsbeat (Frank Partridge). 12.45 Gary Davies. 3.00 Annemarie Grey. 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge). 5.45 Paul Jordan. 7.30 Andy Peebles. 10.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show (Tommy Vance) includes a session from Torme. VHF RADIOS 1 & 2 4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

## WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 7.00 News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 The Best of Folk. 7.45 Merchant Navy Programme. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 The Sacred Choir. 8.30 Music Now. 9.00 News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 John Arlott's Poetry Book. 10.00 News. 10.01 Keep it in the Family. 10.15 Merchant Navy Programme. 10.30 Business Matters. 11.00 News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 In the Meantime. 11.25 A Letter from Northern Ireland. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Jazz For The Asking. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 News. 1.09 Twenty Four Hours. 1.30 John Peel. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 Letterbox. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Desert Island Discs. 4.00 News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Science in Action. 4.45 The World Today. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Letter from Northern Ireland. 5.15 Sarah and Company. 8.00 News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 9.15 Music Now. 9.45 The Growing Pains of Adrian Mole. 10.00 News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 A Letter from Northern Ireland. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 From The Weeklies. 11.30 The Art of Peter Pears. 12.00 News. 12.09 News about Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 About Britain. 12.45 Recording of the Week. 1.00 News. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Sing Goespell 1.45 Letterbox. 2.00 News. 2.09 Review of The British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 People And Politics. 3.00 News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 Just A Minute. 4.00 Newsdesk. 4.30 That's Trad. 5.45 The World Today. All times in GMT

**FREQUENCIES:** Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m: VHF -90-92.5; Radio 4: 200kHz 1500m: VHF -92-95; LBC 1152kHz/261m; VHF 97.3; Capital: 1548kHz/194m: VHF 95.8; BBC Radio London 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; World Service MF 648kHz/463m.

## REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

**BBC1** WALES 9.20am-9.45 Masterteam 9.45-10.30 Ceefax 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 Sportfolio 12.45am-12.50 News and Weather. SCOTLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland 11.10-11.40 Left, Right and Centre 11.40-1.25am Film: Don't Look Now. (Julie Christie) 1.25 Weather. NORTHERN IRELAND 5.35-5.40 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Reporting Scotland 6.35-7.00 Masterteam. 12.45am-12.50 News and Weather. ENGLAND 6.35-7.00 Regional News Magazines.

**TYNE TEES** As London expect: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Sink the Bismark! (Kenneth More). 3.15-3.30 Cartoon. 6.00 Northern Life. 6.30-7.00 Off The Rack. 7.30 Knight Rider. 8.30-9.00 Me and My Girl. 10.32 Extra Time. 11.00 Streets of San Francisco. 12.00 Three's Company, Closedown.

**TVS** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Gem. 2.30 Hotel. 3.30-4.00 Glencoe. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30-7.00 Country Ways. 7.30 Knight Rider. 8.30-9.00 Me and My Girl. 10.30 Prisoner: Cell Block H. 11.30 Mannix. 12.30am Company, Closedown.

**CHANNEL** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Blithe Spirit* 3.15 Cartoon. 3.25-4.00 Young Doctors. 4.50 Getalong Gang. 5.15-5.45 Beverly Hillbillies* 6.00 Channel Report. 6.15 Showcase. 6.30 Crossroads. 6.55-7.00 What's On Where. 7.30 Magnum. 8.30-9.00 Me and My Girl. 10.34 Sweeney. 11.35 Gymnastics. 12.30am Closedown.

**BORDER** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Shammy Dab. 2.00 Film: Fort Worth. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.30-7.00 Take the High Road. 10.30-11.00 Answer the Question. 11.30 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.30am News, Closedown.

**SCOTTISH** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Country Practice. 2.25 Champions. 3.25 Farmhouse Kitchen. 3.55-4.00 Seamus. 6.00 News and Scotland Today. 6.30-7.00 Report. 7.30 Funny You Should Say That. 8.00 Off the Rack. 8.30-9.00 Me and My Girl. 10.30-11.00 Ways and Means. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 The Master. 12.30am Closedown.

**ANGLIA** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: A French Mistress.* 3.15 Cartoon. 3.25-3.30 News. 6.00-7.00 About Anglia. 10.30 Cross Question. 11.10 Film: Kill (James Mason). 1.10am Christian Youth Today, Closedown.

**YORKSHIRE** As London except: 1.20 pm Calender. 1.25 Help Yourself. 1.30 Film: How to Pick up Girls! (Desi Arnez, Jnr). 3.20 Home Cookery. 3.25-3.30 Headlines. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 Diff'rent Strokes. 7.30 Knight Rider. 8.30-9.00 Me & My Girl. 10.30 Sweeney. 11.30 Australian Rugby League. 12.25 am Closedown.

**CENTRAL** As London except: 1.20 News 1.30-3.30 Film: Five Fingers* (James Mason) 6.00-7.00 News 7.30 Knight Rider 8.30-9.00 Me & My Girl 10.35 Film: Big Red One 12.40am Closedown.

**HTV WEST** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Showdown at Abilene (Jock Mahoney). 3.00-3.30 Scribble. 6.00 News. 6.30-7.00 Problems. 7.30 Knight Rider. 8.30-9.00 Me and My Girl. 10.30 Your Say. 10.45 Scene '85. 11.15 Timeless Land. 12.15am No Problem! 12.45 Closedown.

**HTV WALES** As HTV West except: 9.30am-12.00 Schools. 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Survival of the Fittest. 11.00 Timeless Land. 12.00-12.30am No Problem!

**TSW** As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Film: Blithe Spirit* 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 4.50 Getalong Gang 5.15 Gus Honeybun 5.20-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today South West 6.30-7.00 What's ahead 7.30 Magnum 8.30-9.00 Me & My Girl 10.35 The Sweeney 11.35 Gymnastics 12.30am Postscript, Closedown.

**GRANADA** As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Yellow Rose. 2.25 Live on Friday. 3.25 News. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 6.00 Granada Reports. 6.30-7.00 Cosby Show. 7.30 Knight Rider. 8.30-9.00 Me and My Girl. 10.30 Northern Echoes. 11.00 Film: Ash Wednesday (Elizabeth Taylor). 12.55am No Problem! 1.25 Closedown.

**GRAMPIAN** As London except: 1.20pm News 1.30 Profiles in Rock 2.00 Yellow Rose 3.00-4.00 Movie Makers 6.00-7.00 North Tonight 7.30 Knight Rider 8.30-9.00 Me & My Girl 10.30-11.00 Crossfire 11.30 Riptide 12.30am News, Closedown.

**ULSTER** As London except: 1.20 Lunchtime. 1.30 Film: Donovan's Reef (John Wayne). 3.30-4.00 Password. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.20 Sportscast. 6.45-7.00 Advice with Anne Hailes. 7.30 Knight Rider. 8.30-9.00 Me and My girl. 10.30 Witness. 10.35 Hotel. 11.35 Star Parade. 12.30 am News, Closedown.

**S4C** Starts: 1.00 pm Countdown. 1.30 Family Ties. 2.00 Taro Nodyn. 2.20 Stori Sbi. 2.35 Cip Ar Yr Almaen. 2.55 Interval. 3.30 Film: Boys will be Boys* (Will Hay). 4.50 Cadwgan. 5.00 Mica. 5.30 The Tube. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Pobol y Cwm. 8.00 Geraint Griffiths – "Nol ar y Stryd!" 8.30 "Y Llygad na all Agor." 9.25 Film: Runners (James Fox). 11.25 Week in Politics. 12.05 am Four Seasons. 12.35 Closedown.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN.
† Stereo. ★Black and white. (r) Repeat.

# ENTERTAINMENTS

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## OPERA & BALLET

COLISEUM S 836 3161 CC 240 5258 ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA Ton't 7.30 Orpheus in the Underworld. Tomor 7.00 Faust.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE COVENT GARDEN 01-240 1066/1911. Access. Visa. Diners Club. S. Standby info 01-836 6903. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. 65 amphiseats avail from 10am on the day. THE ROYAL BALLET Ton't 7.30 The Sleeping Beauty. Ballet Casting info 01-240 9815. THE ROYAL OPERA Tomor 7.00 Il trovatore.

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916 Until Nov 23. Eves 7.30. Sat Mats 2.30. (& Morning Perfs). NEW SADLER'S WELLS OPERA The Merry Widow, La Traviata, & HMS Pinafore with Nickolas Grace. Ton't: LA TRAVIATA. Tomor: THE MERRY WIDOW

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916 LFB 2 Nov 26-30. 2 progs. incl: Annesie (Paul Taylor) World Prem by Nils Christie. Land (C Bruce). Dances from Napoli (Schaufuss/Bournonville)

## CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL, Barbican Centre, EC2. Ton't 7.45 Gala Night of Gilbert & Sullivan. THE GONDOLIERS. A complete and costumed performance by The London Savoyards. New Concert Orchestra. Peter Murray cond. Tomor 3.00 & 7.45 All Souls Prom Praise (a blend of popular orchestral music and community hymn singing). Noel Tredinnick cond. Sun 7.30 London Philharmonic Orchestra. Anthony Hopkins cond.

## THEATRES

CREDIT CARD bkgs 01-379 6433 Theatre, Concerts, Sport Many without booking fees TICKETMASTER 9am-9pm, Sun 12 noon-8pm

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913/4 CC 741 9999/836 7358/379 6433. Group sales 930 6123. 24 Hr 7 Day CC 240 7200 "HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S.Exp THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL ME AND MY GIRL ROBERT LINDSAY "An Absolutely Inspired Performance" F Times. FRANK THORNTON EMMA THOMPSON DIRECTED BY MIKE OCKRENT Nightly at 7.30. Mats Wed 2.30 & Sat 4.30 & 8.00 SOME RETURNS USUALLY AVAILABLE FROM MID-AFTERNOON Bill Snibson played by Paul Grunert Weds Mats only

ALBERY, 836 3878 cc 379 6565 cc 379 6433 cc 741 9999. Group Sales 930 6123. 836 3962. Eves Mon-Fri 7.15, Sats 2.0 & 7.30pm. ANTONY SHER "Gives London's Performance of the Year" Mail on Sunday in Harvey Fierstein's Tony Award winning "BRILLIANTLY FUNNY" Obs. TORCH SONG TRILOGY Directed by Robert Allan Ackerman

ALDWYCH THEATRE 01-836 6404/0641 01-379 6233 CC accepted "QUITE SIMPLY MAGNIFICENT" GLENDA JACKSON Robert Eddison Georgina Hale Gerard Murphy Joyce Redman and Tim Woodward in PHEDRA "SUPERB PRODUCTION ... CLASSIC TRAGEDY OF VENGEANCE, INCESTUOUS PASSION, AND THE RETRIBUTION OF THE GODS, IT INCLUDES, IN PHILIP PROWSE'S SPLENDID DESIGN, ONE OF THE MOST SHATTERING COUPS DE THEATRE TO BE SEEN IN LONDON." Mon-Fri. 7.30, Sats, 3.00 & 8.30.

ALDWYCH THEATRE, 01-836 6404/0641 01-379 6233 CC accepted. OPENS DEC 20 7pm. Sub daily at 2.30 & 7.30. Reduced Price Prevs Dec. 18 & 19 at 7.30 BONNIE LANGFORD JOSS ACKLAND in J. M. BARRIE'S PETER PAN THE MUSICAL Grp Sales 01-930 6123 & CC 24hrs inc Sun 01-741 9999.

ALMEIDA. 359 4404. Last 2 perfs Ton't 8pm. Tomor 8.30. THE DELIBERATE DEATH OF A POLISH PRIEST by Ronald Harwood. "Crack company ... mesmerising" S Tms.

AMBASSADORS THEATRE, West St. WC2. 01-836 6111. CC 01-836 1171/01 741 9999 Grp Sales 01-930 6123 Eves Mon-Fri at 8 pm. Tues Mat 2.45 pm. Sats 6 pm & 8.45 pm. THE THEATRE OF COMEDY COMPANY DINSDALE LANDEN LIZA GODDARD JOHN QUAYLE CAROL HAWKINS STEPHEN LEATHERLAND and GEOFFREY SUMNER in WIFE BEGINS AT FORTY A delightful new comedy Now booking for Jan '86.

APOLLO THEATRE cc 437 2663/4 434 3598/9; 24hr 7-day cc bookings on 240 7200. PENELOPE KEITH MARK KINGSTON in THE DRAGONS TAIL A new play by Douglas Watkinson Directed by Michael Rudman Eves Mon-Fri 7.30 Thurs Mat 3.00 Sats 5.0 & 8.15. Group Sales 01-930 6123

APOLLO VICTORIA SS 828 8665 CC 630 6262 Grp Sales 930 6123 STARLIGHT EXPRESS Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER Lyrics by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN "A MUSICAL THAT SURPASSES ANYTHING AROUND IN EVERY DIMENSION" D Exp. Eves 7.45 Mat Tue & Sat 3.00 Box office open 10am-8pm BOOKING TO MARCH '86 SPECIAL CONCESSIONS AT £7.00 ON TUES MATS FOR OLD AGE PENSIONERS – CONCESSIONARY SEATS UB40s/STUDENTS AT THE DOOR AT £7.00 FOR ANY PERF WHEN AVAILABLE.

ASTORIA THEATRE Box Off., cc & Groups 01-734 4287 LENNON A legend reborn A celebration of the life and music of John Lennon. The only West End show with a Sunday performance. Evgs Tues to Sat 8.00. Mat Sat & Sun 4.00. Now Booking into 1986.

ARTS THEATRE, Gt Newport St. WC2. 01-836 2132 World Premiere Malcolm McKay's AIRBASE 11-30 Nov. 8pm nightly.

BARBICAN 01-628 8795/638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm): For inc hotel package 01-330 7111 ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY BARBICAN THEATRE eves 7.30, mats 2.30 Thurs & Sat (runs 3¼ hrs) LES MISERABLES "MUSICAL OF THE YEAR" Punch (ends Barbican 23 Nov. transfers Palace 4 Dec.) BARKER AT THE PIT "a most challenging season" F Times – CRIMES IN HOT COUNTRIES ton't & 11 Nov 7.30pm (runs 2¾ hrs). DOWNCHILD tomor 2pm & 12 Nov 7.30pm (runs 1hr40). These plays contain scenes which may be disturbing. RSC also at Mermaid.

BUSH THEATRE 743 3388 THROUGH THE LEAVES by Franz Xaver Kroetz. Tues-Sun 8pm.

CHAUCER THEATRE (next Aldgate East Tube) Recorded booking information 985 1849 Tower Shakespeare Company presents HAMLET (the First Folio) and MEASURE FOR MEASURE Oct 5 to Nov 9 at 7.30.

COMEDY S 930 2578 CC 839 1438/741 9999 Group Sales 930 6123 Eves 8.0. Wed Mats 3.0: Sats 5.0 & 8.30. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE CO's "Remarkable achievement" Times CAMILLE by Pam Gems, Dir Ron Daniels "THE RSC TRIUMPHS WITH CAMILLE ... FRANCES BARBER'S MAGICAL PERFORMANCE" M on Sun. "A memorable night" Observer. "THE PLAY IS A STUNNER" Spectator

COTTESLOE (National Theatre's small auditorium) re-opened with FESTIVAL OF NEW PLAYS. 928 2252 CC 928 5933 'S'. FIVE PLAY BILL (Ton't, Tomor & Nov 11 & 12 & extra perfs Nov 25 to 28, Eves 6.00). GARDEN OF ENGLAND edited by Peter Cox (Nov 14 to 23) Contains language which may cause offence. All tkts £5.50.

DOMINION THEATRE 'TIME' HOTLINES 01 580 8847/8 Box Office 01 636 8538/9 or 580 9562/3 OPENS APRIL 1986 DAVE CLARK'S TIME THE MUSICAL starring CLIFF RICHARD 'AKASH' Portrayed by LAURENCE OLIVIER

DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL 01-836 8108, 01-240 9066/7 24-hour 7-day cc bookings 01-240 7200 DAVID MERRICK'S 42ND STREET "The show has now swept up all the top prizes for musicals" D. Exp BEST MUSICAL Standard Drama Award "Exhilarating" D Tel. BEST MUSICAL Laurence Olivier Award "Dazzling" D. Mail BEST MUSICAL Plays & Players London Theatre Critics Award "You won't find a show in London with more razzle dazzle" D. Exp. Evgs 8.00. Mats Wed 3.00. Sats 5.00 & 8.30. Group Sales 01-930 6123. Booking until July 1986. BOX OFFICE OPEN Mon-Sat 10am-8pm.

CRITERION. S. 930 3216. CC 379 6565/379 6433/741 9999. Groups 836 3962. Evgs. 8.00 mat. Thurs. 2.30. Sat. 5.30 and 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D. Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company DAVID McCALLUM DEREK GRIFFITHS WINDSOR DAVIES LINDA HAYDEN HELEN GILL DAVID MASTERMAN GREGORY PHILLIPS and GARETH HUNT RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! Written and directed by RAY COONEY

DUCHESS 'S' 836 8243/CC 240 9648 First Call: 24 Hrs 7 Day CC 240 7200 THE SLOANE RANGER REVUE REDUCED PRICE PREVIEWS NOW OPENS NOV 12 Eves 8.15. Fri/Sat 6.00 & 9.00

DUKE OF YORKS 836 5122 CC 836 9837/741 9999 Gp 930 6123. Evgs 8 Mat Thurs 3 Sat 5 & 8.30. 2ND YEAR OF THE AWARD WINNING COMEDY HIT STEPPING OUT "TRIUMPH ON TAP" Eve Std - The Hit Comedy by Richard Harris Directed by Julia McKenzie COMEDY OF THE YEAR Standard Drama Award 1984 "LAUGH YOURSELF SILLY" T Out. "Had the audience yelling for more" D. Mail. "Must surely take the town ... Go NOW" D Tel. "Roars of approval" Times. "It's going to tap, tap, tap forever" N o W.

FORTUNE S CC 836 2238/2239. 741 9999 Evgs 8. Fri/Sat 6 & 8.40 COMEDY OF THE YEAR Laurence Olivier Awards 1984 UP AND UNDER By John Godber 'A WONDERFUL COMEDY' S Times. "Splendid." D Tel. "One of the funniest and least pretentious plays you are ever going to see. TOTALLY HYSTERICAL" Obs. "Excitement and hilarity ... persuading the audience to clap and cheer." S Tel. "A JOY", S Exp.

GARRICK S CC 01-836 4601./379 6433 Eves 8.0. Mat Wed 3.00. Sat 5.0 NO SEX, PLEASE – WE'RE BRITISH

GLOBE cc 01-437 1592. Andrew Lloyd Webber presents the COMEDY OF THE YEAR Society of West End Theatre Award '83 DAISY PULLS IT OFF by Denise Deegan Directed by David Gilmore Eves 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0 & Sat 4.0 Group Sales 930 6123 "THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE HOOT & A SCREAM" S Times THIRD GREAT YEAR Over 1,000 Performances

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. Previews Evenings at 7.45. Mat Sat 2.30. (Nov 11 at 7.00). JANET SUZMAN in VASSA by Maxim Gorky.

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL 01-930 9832. Group Sales 930 6123. Reduced price prevs from Wed Nov 20 Opens Tues November 26 at 7.00 SUSANNAH YORK DENIS QUILLEY in BERNARD SLADE'S FATAL ATTRACTION Directed by DAVID GILMORE Evgs 7.30 Mats Weds 2.30 Sat 5.0 ADVANCE BOX OFFICE 01-930 9832

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301. Eves 8pm. Sat Mats 4.30 PARTICULAR FRIENDSHIPS by Martin Allen. "Very funny" Std. "Very well acted" D Tel. "Hilarious. This play is a pleasure" FT.

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL 01-930 9832. Group sales 930 6123. Evgs Mon-Sat 7.30. Mats Weds & Sats 2.30. "LAUREN BACALL'S STAR QUALITY GLOWS WITH A HARD, STEELY, INCANDESCENCE THAT COULD SHATTER A DIAMOND" Sun. Exp. LAUREN BACALL in TENNESSEE WILLIAMS SWEET BIRD OF YOUTH Directed by Harold Pinter "HAROLD PINTER PRODUCTION ESTABLISHES THE PIECE AS ONE OF WILLIAMS' VERY BEST" Fin Times LAST TWO WEEKS

HER MAJESTY'S 930 4025 930 6606 cc Hotline 741 9999 24 Hr day cc bookings 240 7200 Group sales 930 6123 DONALD SINDEN in The Smash Hit from the Chichester Festival Theatre THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL Red price prevs from Dec 5 Opens Dec 11 at 7.00 Subs Evgs 7.30 Mats Wed & Sat at 3.0

KINGS HEAD 226 1916. Dinner 7. Show 8pm. IRENE HANDL and THE JOCKEYS OF NORFOLK.

LONDON PALLADIUM 01-437 7373. 01-437 2055. CC Also from Ticketmaster 379 6433 or W H Smith Travel or First Call 240 7200 24hr 7 day. Until Sat. Eves Mon to Fri 8pm. Sats 5.30 & 8.30 LAST 3 PERFORMANCES WAYNE SLEEP'S HOT SHOE SHOW BASED ON THE POPULAR BBC-TV SERIES "The best so far ... breathtaking" S Tel. "DREAM OF A SHOW" D Mail. "Irrepressible ... fans will not be disappointed" FT. "Every dancer is miraculous" D Exp. "DAZZLING ... WAYNE SLEEP GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH" D Tel. GUEST ARTIST AT THIS PERF: Lesley Collier

LONDON PALLADIUM. 01-437 7373. Opens Dec 23 – Sub 2.30 & 7.30. Reduced Price Prevs Dec 18-21 at 2.30. Party Rates available DES O'CONNOR in CINDERELLA with PAUL NICHOLAS APPLY BOX OFFICE 01-437 7373 GROUP SALES 01-930 6123 FIRST CALL 24 HR 7 DAY CC BOOKINGS 01-240 7200.

LONDON PALLADIUM. LA CAGE AUX FOLLES Telephone credit card bookings now accepted on 01-734 9923. Box Office opens for personal callers on November 25 at 10am. Previews from April 22. First Night May 7.

MAYFAIR S CC 629 3036/741 9999 Mon-Thur 8.0. Fri/Sat 5.40 & 8.10. RICHARD TODD Eric Lander Annette Andre THE BUSINESS OF MURDER The Hit Thriller by Richard Harris. "The best thriller for years" S Mir. "An unabashed winner" S Exp. "A thriller that achieves it all. Sensational" Times. "The most ingenious mystery to have appeared in a decade. A play to be seen" D. Mail. 5TH GREAT YEAR OVER 2000 PERFORMANCES

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01-741 2311. Eves 7.45, Wed Mats 2.30. Sat Mats 4.0 National Theatre of Brent in THE MESSIAH The Legend Returns! LYRIC STUDIO Eves 8pm World Premiere of SOFT SHOE SHUFFLE. A New comedy by Mike Hodges. Latecomers will not be admitted.

LYRIC THEATRE Shaftesbury Ave W1. 01-437 3686/7 01-434 1050 cc 01-434 1550 01-734 5166/7. 24 hour 7 day cc bookings 01-240 7200. BERYL REID JEAN-PIERRE AUMONT SIAN PHILLIPS GEOFFREY BURRIDGE & AMANDA WARING in LERNER & LOEWE'S MUSICAL GIGI Directed by John Dexter "Greeted with tumultuous applause" Daily Express Evgs 7.30 Sats 5.0 & 8.15 Weds Mats 3.0 Grp Sales Box Office 01-930 6123

LYTTELTON 928 2252 CC 928 5933 'S' (National Theatre's proscenium stage). Low price previews Ton't 7.45, Tomor 2.15 & 7.45 & Nov 9 to 13. Opens Nov 13 at 7.00 Then Nov 14 & Nov 18 to 21 LOVE FOR LOVE by Congreve. Ton't 10.30pm Me, Myself & I by Alan Ayckbourn. Lyttelton Buffet late night platform all tkts £5.00.

MAYFAIR. 01-629 3037. From Dec 16-Jan 4. Twice daily 2.0 & 4.0. Wed & Sats 10.30. 2.0 & 4.0. SOOTY'S XMAS SHOW

MERMAID THEATRE 01-236 5568 CC 741 9999 Grp Sales 930 6123 Eves 7.30. Mats Thur & Sat 3.00 ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY LAST 2 WEEKS TO SEE ALAN HOWARD GEMMA JONES JENNY AGUTTER in BREAKING THE SILENCE By STEPHEN POLIAKOFF Director RON DANIELS "ONE OF THE FINEST PLAYS TO HAVE COME OUT OF THE RSC IN RECENT YEARS" S. Times OVER 100 PERFORMANCES MUST END 16 NOV RSC – also at the Barbican

NATIONAL THEATRE, South Bank NATIONAL THEATRE COMPANY See SEPARATE ENTRIES UNDER OLIVIER/ LYTTELTON/ COTTESLOE Excellent cheap seats day of perf all theatres from 10am. RESTAURANT (928 2033) CHEAP EASY CAR PARK.

NEW LONDON Drury Lane WC2 01 405 0072 CC 01 404 4079 Eves 7.45 Tue & Sat 3.00 & 7.45 THE ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER/T. S. ELIOT MUSICAL CATS Group Bookings 01 405 1567, or 01 930 6123 (Apply daily to Box Office for returns). Alternative CC Bookings 379 6131. Postal applications now being accepted from Feb 3 to May 31 '86

OLD VIC 928 7616 CC 261 1821 Sub Eves 7.30, Wed Mats 2.30. Sats 4.0 & 7.45. FOR A LIMITED SEASON ONLY DENNIS WATERMAN RULA LENSKA "A wonderful pair of actors" Daily Express in Bernard Slade's comedy SAME TIME NEXT YEAR Directed by JOHN WOOD "Entertaining ... full of timelessly human jokes" D Mail

OLD VIC 928 7616 CC 261 1821 17 December to 25 January BEAUTY & THE BEAST The Classic Fairy Story adapted for the stage by Louise Page. Special Rates for Children. BOOK NOW FOR CHRISTMAS.

OLIVIER 928 2252 CC 928 5933 'S' (National Theatre's open stage). Ton't 7.15, Tomor 2.00, (low price mat) & 7.15, then Nov 18 to 20 THE REAL INSPECTOR HOUND by Tom Stoppard with THE CRITIC by Sheridan. Today 2.30pm Careers in Theatre. All Tkts £1.00.

PALACE THEATRE 437 6834 CC 437 8327/379 6433 Groups 930 6123 "A MUSICAL THAT MAKES HISTORY" Newsweek "THIS STUNNING POP OPERA" S Times LES MISERABLES "AN ENTHRALLING SPECTACLE ... FULL OF GOOD TUNES" D Tel "FIGHT TO GET A TICKET!" LBC Continues its triumphant run here from Dec 4 after its Barbican season. Eves 7.30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30.

PHOENIX 836 2294 cc 240 9661 or 741 9999 Eves 8 Mat Thu 3 Sat 5 & 8.30 MARTIN SHAW As Elvis Presley "IS JUST AMAZING, THE PERFORMANCE IS A LANDMARK" D Exp ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT? BY ALAN BLEASDALE A GREAT NIGHT OUT ... SEE THIS "IT'S MAGNIFICENT" Observer

PICCADILLY THEATRE 437 4506. 734 9535 Credit Card Hotlines 379 6565/741 9999. Group Sales 836 3962/930 6123/434 3692. Air Cond. "A BRILLIANT NEW MUSICAL" BBC. DAVID ESSEX FRANK FINLAY MUTINY! "TREMENDOUS SPECTACLE" Guardian. "TECHNOLOGICAL WIZARDRY" S Tms. Eves 8.00. Mats Sat 5.0, Wed 3.00. Tickets available at all Principal Ticket Agencies.

PRINCE EDWARD. Tel 01-437 6877 S EVITA Evgs. 8.0. Mats Thurs & Sat at 3.0. Hotline 439 8499, 379 6433, 741 9999. 24hr 7 day cc bookings 240 7200. LAST FOUR MONTHS

PRINCE OF WALES 01-930 8681/2 cc HOTLINE 01-930 0844/5/6. Group Sales 01-930 6123 K Prowse 01-741 9999 Evngs 7.30. Mats Thur & Sat at 3.00. 'One of the best musicals of all time' – The Std THE NATIONAL THEATRE OF GT BRITAIN AWARD WINNING GUYS AND DOLLS Starring LULU NORMAN ROSSINGTON CLARKE PETERS BETSY BRANTLEY DAVID HEALY 'A raucously elegant show' – S Times 'A CLASSIC of its kind' – D Tel 'DYNAMITE' – D Mail 'It can only encourage American tourists to clog the capital's transport system demanding directions to Piccadilly Circus' – The Times No Perfs 25 & 26 Dec. Extra mat Dec 27 at 3.00. Now Booking into '86.

ROYAL COURT S CC 730 1745. THE GRACE OF MARY TRAVERSE by Timberlake Wertenbaker. Eves 8pm. Sat Mat 4pm. "The finest and wittiest play to be seen in London this year" City Limits.

QUEEN'S 01-734 1166. 734 1167. 734 0261. 734 0120. 439 3849. 439 4031. CC 24 hr 240 7200. Grp Sales 930 6123. Red Price Prevs until Nov 18. Eves 8pm. Mats Wed & Sat 3pm. Opens Nov 19. 7pm. MAGGIE SMITH EDWARD FOX in INTERPRETERS A new Play by Ronald Harwood Directed by Peter Yates

RIVERSIDE STUDIOS 748 3354. Oct 30-Nov 16, 8pm. (Tues-Sun) FOCO NOVO in Westbrook's/DH Lawrence THE ASS. Oct 31, 7pm.

ROYAL COURT UPSTAIRS 730 2554. BASIN by Jacqueline Rudet. Eves 7 30pm.

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916 HMS PINAFORE, Gilbert & Sullivan Starring Nickolas Grace "The Best Show in Town" Std. Nov 13, 15, 19, 21, 7.30pm.

SAVOY. Box Office 01-836 8888 Credit Cards 01-379 6219/836 0479 Evgs 7.45, Wed 3.00, Sat 5.00 & 8.30. 4th YEAR OF THE AWARD WINNING COMEDY HIT MICHAEL MEDWIN JOSEPHINE TEWSON HUGH PADDICK ROLAND CURRAM PHILIP BIRD GERALDINE HART NOISES OFF MICHAEL FRAYN'S COMEDY IS THE FUNNIEST PLAY I HAVE EVER SEEN IN THE WEST-END "Times. Directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE

SHAFTESBURY 379 5399 CC 741 9999. Grp Sales 930 6123. Evgs 8.0. Sat 5.30 & 8.30. Wed Mat 3.0. THEATRE OF COMEDY COMPANY Anton Rodgers Michael Williams Moray Watson Wanda Ventham and Kathy Staff TWO INTO ONE Written & Directed by Ray Cooney "Hilarious production" F.T. "Comic acting at its finest." S.Tele. 2ND GREAT YEAR

ST MARTINS. 836 1443. Special CC No 01-379 6433. Eves 8.00. Tues 2.45. Sat 5.00 & 8.00. AGATHA CHRISTIE'S 33rd year of THE MOUSETRAP

STRAND WC2 01-836 2660/4143/5190. Monday-Friday Evgs 8.0 Mats Wed 2.30, Sat 5.30 & 8.30 DAVID JASON "A NATURAL COMIC, A JOY TO BEHOLD" Standard. "GENUINELY FUNNY" Fin Times RICHARD VERNON LYNDA BELLINGHAM LOOK, NO HANS! "John Chapman & Michael Pertwee comedy is obviously destined for a long stay. It passes the time as pleasantly as a large Gin and Tonic" Sunday Times Directed by Mike Ockrent

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON Royal Shakespeare Theatre (0789) 295623. ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY in AS YOU LIKE IT Tomor 1.30 Tues 7.30. "A magical production" S Tel. Now booking for NICHOLAS NICKLEBY Dec 13-Feb 8 Call Box Office or 01-379 6433. For special meal/theatre deals and hotel stopover, ring 0789 67262.

TRICYCLE 328 8626. Eves 8pm. THE GREAT WHITE HOPE by Howard Sackler. "Magnificently acted ... thrillingly staged" Tms. "Brilliantly directed ... outstanding performance from Hugh Quarshie in the lead." D Tel. "Instinctive vitality of popular theatre" Gdn.

THEATRE OF COMEDY COMPANY "The very best of Britain's comic talent" D. Mail TWO INTO ONE see Shaftesbury Theatre WIFE BEGINS AT FORTY see Ambassadors Theatre RUN FOR YOU WIFE see Criterion Theatre London's three hit comedies

VAUDEVILLE 01-836 9987 Evgs 8.0. Wed 2.30, Sats 5.30 & 8.30 SEASON EXTENDED TO JAN 4 RICHARD STILGOE & PETER SKELLERN "ARE REVIVING SOPHISTICATED REVUE IN LONDON" Financial Times "the audience was ready to cheer them to the echo, and did" Daily Mail. WHO PLAYS WINS "IRRESISTIBLE–QUICK-WITTED AND AMUSING" Standard "SMASHING SONGS" Times. Directed by Mike Ockrent. Prices £4 to £10. Free glass of wine with £10 ticket.

VAUDEVILLE 836 5645, 836 7969 Credit Cards 01-379 6433 XMAS SEASON DEC 3-JAN 12. Mon-Sat 11 am and 2 pm (No Performance Wednesdays) Special Sunday Performance 3.30 MR MEN MUSICAL Starring the Characters created by Roger Hargreaves

VICTORIA PALACE 01-834 1317 Evening 7.30 Mats Sat only 2 45 MICHAEL CRAWFORD in BARNUM NOW BOOKING THROUGH XMAS BOX OFFICE OPEN MON-SAT, 9AM-9PM, AND ON SUNDAYS FOR TEL CC BKGS ONLY 11AM-7PM.

WESTMINSTER 01-834 0283 CC 834 0048 From Nov 19 to Jan 18 THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE by C. S. Lewis

WIMBLEDON 540-0362 CC. Edinburgh Fringe 1st Winners Riding Lights Theatre Co in ST JOHN'S GOSPEL adapt by Murray Watts this week only Evgs 8pm. Th & Sat Mats 2.30pm. "SO STUNNING ... SO EFFECTIVE". Herald

WYNDHAM'S S 836 3028 CC 379 6565/379 6433. 741 9999 Grps 930 6123/836 3962. Eves 8.0. Wed Mat 3.0. Sat 5.0 & 8.15. "A VERY FUNNY SHOW" Obs. SUE TOWNSEND'S THE SECRET DIARY OF ADRIAN MOLE AGED 13¾ Music & Lyrics by KEN HOWARD & ALAN BLAIKLEY.

YOUNG VIC 928 6363. Th 15 Nov INVESTIGATION INTO HAMLET Daytime Workshops From Nov 28 THE CRUCIBLE.

## CINEMAS

ACADEMY 1. 437 2981. Deborah Kerr in THE ASSAM GARDEN (U). Progs 2.45 (not Sun) 4.45. 6.45. 9.00.

ACADEMY 2. 437 5129. Italy's outstandingly beautiful FORGET VENICE (15). Progs 2.00. 4.10. 6.20. 8.35. Sun at 4.10. 6.20. 8.35.

ACADEMY 3. 437 8819. THE WANDERER (Le Grand Meaulnes (PG) Progs 4.00. 6.10. 8.20

Anthony Quinn Dominique Sanda THE INHERITANCE (18) now showing at CINECENTA, of Leicester Square 930 0631

# Unionist threat to block accord

**By Philip Webster**
**Political Reporter**

Ulster Unionist politicians may launch a High Court challenge against the Govenment if the imminent Anglo-Irish agreement gives Dublin a say in the running of Northern Ireland.

Unionist leaders believe that even a consultative role for the Republic, which appears likely to form part of the deal being worked out between the two governments, would alter the constitutional position of the province because of the involvement of a foreign power in its affairs.

A change which would prevent the British Government administering Ulster without first consulting Dublin could not be done except by an Act of Parliament, they have concluded, and are considering going to court in an attempt to block such a move.

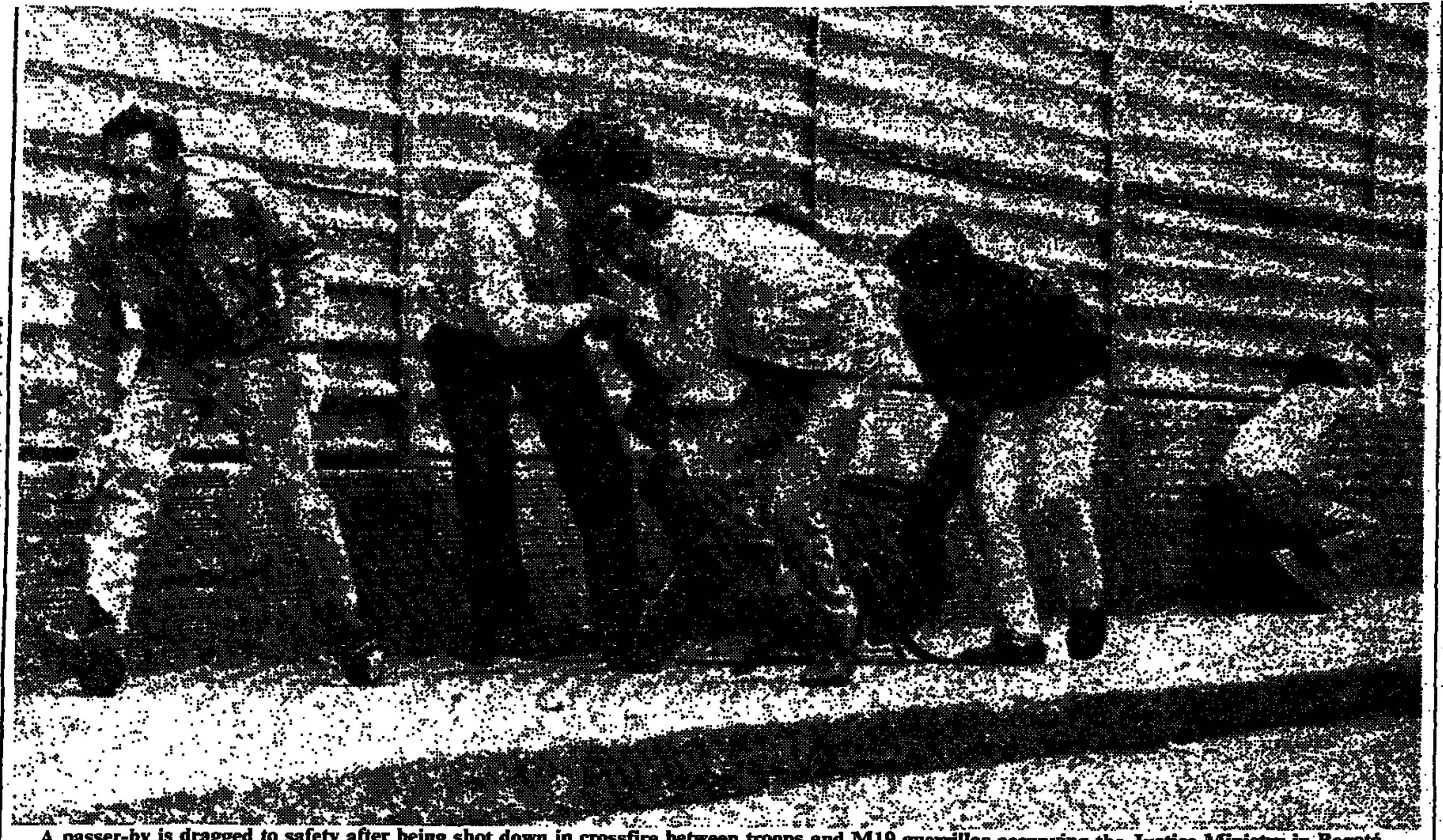
The Democratic Unionist and Official Unionist parties, led by the Rev Ian Paisley, and Mr James Molyneaux, are also considering resigning their Westminster seats en masse if an unfavourable deal is struck, to give the people of Ulster an unofficial referendum in the by-election that would follow.

Unionist leaders are privately predicting an outcry similar to that which followed the 1973 Sunningdale agreement setting up a power-sharing executive, if the talks result in the establishment of a joint secretariat serving a council of ministers from both countries.

The reaction last time included the Ulster strike which led to the collapse of the executive. This time, the politicians warn, the reaction will be violent because the views of Ulster's political leaders will have been disregarded by the Government.

Another meeting of Dublin and London officials is expected next week, with a further report to the Cabinet next Thursday.

Unionists suspect that one of the issues holding up an agreement is the siting of the proposed secretariat. Dublin is understood to want it to be in Belfast but, in the view of one leading Unionist yesterday, that would cause "an explosion".



A passer-by is dragged to safety after being shot down in crossfire between troops and M19 guerrillas occupying the Justice Ministry in Bogotá

# Barristers may seek to deal direct

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fession should remain as such, a view both branches support.

The Bar is considering that barristers be able to do formal peas of mitigation in magistrates' courts, without a representative from a solicitors' office bing in attendance, a move which some justices' clerks have suggested.

It may also press for direct access to clients in foreign arbitration cases held in London. Foreign lawyers in such cases often want to instruct clients direct, and both the Foreign Office and Master of the Rolls have expressed concern that lack of direct access to clients could be a factor stopping such cases coming to London.

There is no move at present for direct access to other professions.

## Russia celebrates Lenin's revolution

# Gorbachov imprint on parade

**From Christopher Walker, Moscow**

**A chilling reminder of the lethal realities behind this month's superpower summit was provided in the Red Square here yesterday, when the 68th anniversary of the Russian Revolution was celebrated with a parade of some of the most powerful Soviet weapons, including two types of missile with a nuclear capability.**

**The traditional festivities took on added poignancy this year, both because they were the first presided over by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, and because of their timing – less than two weeks before the Soviet leader's meeting with President Reagan.**

**The Defence Minister, Marshal Sergie Sokolov, used the occasion to assert that the Soviet people were "keenly aware of the serious danger of war" which he alleged arose from American attempts to achieve military superiority over the Soviet Union.**

From his position alongside the other Soviet leaders atop Lenin's mausoleum, the marshal told thousands of soldiers and Communist Party members: "We will not permit an upsetting of the military equilibrium between the Soviet Union and the USA, the Warsaw Treaty organization and Nato."

Before reviewing the 16 types of weaponry involved in the massive drive-pass (ranging from the SA1 rockets of the type used to shoot down the American U2 spy plane in 1960), the marshal said: "The world is witnessing an intensification of the activities of the forces which are trying to dismantle the most important gains of the period of détente. ... A source of the greatest danger today is the new spiral of the nuclear weapons race unleashed by the USA, its plans to militarize outer space."

Among the thousands of banners paraded through the streets echoing with patriotic songs "Sunny days, yes, yes, yes: nuclear explosions, no, no, no" ran one popular refrain were those depicting American nuclear rockets pointed at a map of Europe and a crude caricaure of an American Marine with a large brown cross painted across his face.

Despite the ominous message of the political rhetoric and the sheer quantity of the military might on display, the mood was festive with tens of thousands of Muscovites letting off clusters of baloons over the onion domes of St Basil's Cathedral and consuming vast quantities of ice cream in near freezing temperatures.

# Drug firm informer gets £½m

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no obligation of secrecy after Mr Adams left his job.

But in yesterday's judgment the court decided it should have done more to protect his anonymity.

The Commission was under a duty to take "every possible step" to warn Mr Adams that there was a danger his name would come out.

However, the judgment said Mr Adams himself contributed significantly to the damage he suffered. He did not tell the commission *that* his identity could be inferred from the documents he passed on.

Mr Adams, aged 58, remarried a year ago, and lives in Thames Ditton

Yesterday he said his first priority was to clear debts of about £100,000.

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## Letter from the River Kwai

# Joyriders inherit death railway

The last week in November is to be River Kwai Bridge Week in the town of Kanchanaburi in western Thailand, and the authorities promise a *son et lumière* display to recreate the events portrayed, not quite accurately, in the film of the same name.

The characters in the real-life drama will be glad to miss it. A party of British ex-prisoners of war who survived the building of the Death Railway, and the widows of some who did not, arrived here yesterday for a brief pilgrimage to mark the fortieth anniversary of the end of the war.

The emotions that welled up in the stir of memory, could not have coped with the cruel reality of four decades ago being reduced to mere theatre.

The bridge is still there, although extensively rebuilt after the war 100 yards upstream. Unlike the bridge in the film, it is of concrete and steel lattice, and still carries the railway that cost the lives of so many allied slaves in its building. Commuters and joyriders use it now.

It once carried Japanese war material all the way from Singapore to Three Pagodas, across the Burmese border. Now, it peters out 20 kilometres north of the Kwai bridge, and the jungle has folded a decent shroud over its bitter, broken spine.

## Crosses carved by friends

The still open stretch winds close to Chungkai cemetery, which holds the graves of 1,075 men who died in its building. The Rev. Henry Babb, then a padre with the East Surreys, burried the first man there, in 1942, and the last in 1944, each with a wooden cross bearing a name often carved by the dead man's best friend.

As an "amen" soldier, he survived, but he personally buried over 400 of his comrades who had succumbed to starvation, exhaustion, malaria, dysentery, and beri beri. Several graves he recognized, in the same positions as he left them, although now with proper headstones and immaculately tended by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

A tall, active, man of 79, now retired to Oxfordshire, Mr Babb saw Chungkai again yesterday for the first time since the war's end. With difficulty, he retained his composure and conducted a simple service. Many others in the party managed much less well at hiding the tears.

"I thought it would be all too much. But when I got to the cemetery I pulled myself together, and it was all right. You cannot hate forever, because it eats your whole being. It must be exceptionally hard for someone who does not believe in any religious faith."

## Lives owed to man named Boon Pon

Men were reduced to six stone skeletons by the crippling, and often dangerous, work, the staple diet of boiled rice, and the lack of medicines. Mr Babb suffered at least 14 bouts of malaria.

He believes he and the other survivors owe their lives to two things: a man named Boon Pon, and the atomic bomb.

Boon Pon was a local trader who supplied fresh food to the Japanese, and smuggled in vital medicines to the prisoners on his regular fruit deliveries.

"If the Americans had not dropped the bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki to force the surrender, we would certainly all have been killed; that that was the Japanese intention as they retreated," said Mr Babb. "I do not hold with nuclear weapons today, but the world was a very different place in 1945."

As Henry Babb returned to the air conditioned cool of the River Kwai Hotel, the receptionist, a young Thai woman in her twenties, seated beside a poster advertising River Kwai Bridge Week, was listening in blank puzzlement as a guest explained its significance to her.

She live within sight of the bridge, but knew nothing of how it got there; it had all been long before her time.

**Alan Hamilton**

# THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

## Today's events

### Royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits the Field of Remembrance, St Margaret's Church, Westminster, 11.55.

Princess Anne, Patron, the Spinal Injuries Association, attends a charity race day at Cheltenham Race Course, 11.45; and later as Honorary Member of the RNVR Officers Association, attends the annual dinner of the association in the Painted Hall, Royal Naval College, Greenwich, 7.10.

The Duke of Kent visits Singapore; depart Heathrow, 8.

### Exhibitions in progress

Paintings and prints by Michael Griffiths; Red House Museum, Quay Rd, Christchurch, Dorset; Tues to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Nov 16).

Halley's Comet; National Museum of Wales, Main Building, Cathays Park, Cardiff; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2.30 to 5 (ends April 28).

Sir Frederick Handley Page – a centenary display; Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museums, 40 Clarence St; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 (ends Nov 30).

Paintings and drawings by Adrian Campbell; Niccol Centre, Brewery Court, Cirencester; Mon to Fri 10 to 4.30, Sat 10 to 12.30 (ends Nov 21).

1985 University of Ulster MA Fine Art exhibition; Walker Art Gallery, William Brown St, Liverpool; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Dec 7).

Watercolours and photographs by David and Andrew Scott-Martin; Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr; Mon to Sat 11 to 5 (ends Nov 30).

Recent works by Peter Yates; MacRobert Arts Centre, University of Stirling; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Nov 26).

Expressions of Tranquillity – works by Verina Warren, Jon Middlemiss, Helen Williams, Jane Hamlyn and Sarah Burnett; Yew Tree Gallery, The Sq, Ellastone, Ashbourne, Derbyshire; Tues to Sun 11 to 5.30 (ends Dec 18).

A Golden Touch; silver, gold and jewellery of W T Blackband 1885 to 1949; City Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Square, Birmingham; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Jan 5 1986).

Prints, drawings and paintings by Helen Wilde; Cheltenham Art Gallery and Museum, Clarence Street, Cheltenham; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, closed Sun (ends Nov 9).

Work by Stuart and Karen Ray; Phoenix Gallery, Lavenham, Suffolk; Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 6, Sun 2 to 6 (ends Nov 18).

Unfamiliar Burne-Jones – a selection of work; Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Sq, Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Dec 29).

Paintings and drawings by Dick French; South Hill Park Arts Centre, Bracknell, Mon to Fri 9 to 12.30 and 1.30 to 5 and 7 to 10, Sat 1 to 4 and 7 to 10, Sun 1 to 4 (ends Dec 1).

Paintings by Maurice Chamberlain; Doncaster Museum and Art Gallery, Chequer Rd, Mon to Thur 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5, closed Fri (ends Nov 24).

Miniature African Sculptures from the collection of Josef Herman, and drawings by Herman; Herbert Art Gallery, Jordan Well, Coventry; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Dec 1).

The Tillotson Bequest – a collection of Barbizon School paintings and drawings; The Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 2 to 5, Sun 2.15 to 5 (ends Feb 2 1986).

### Music

Piano recital by Radoslav Kvapil; St Leonard's Church Hythe, Kent, 7.30.

Concert by the Holburne Group; Hartlebury Castle, Kidderminster, 8.

Recital by Robin Colvill (piano) and the Salzburg Residenz Solisten; The Church, East Bergholt, Suffolk, 7.30.

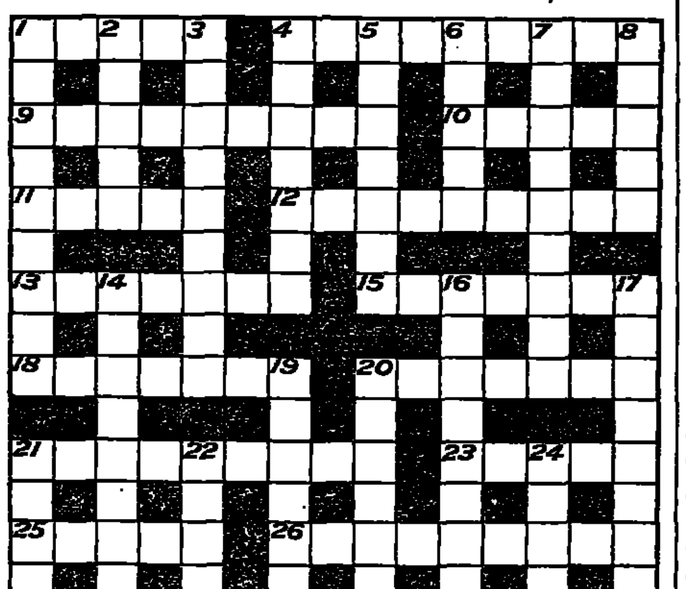
Concert by the Northern Sinfonia of England; Spa Hall, Scarborough, 7.45.

Concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; Great Hall, Exeter University, 7.30.

### General

Book Fair; Town Hall, St Andrews, 12 to 8, tomorrow 10 to 5.

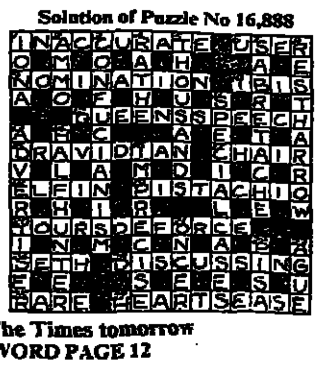
## The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,889



ACROSS
1 Is this helmet made of cotton? (5).
4 Impair social standing, being without one bit of jewellery (9).
9 Controlled reorganization of glue trade (9).
10 Witchcraft brings honour to a Haitian leader (5).
11 Join, but turn it thus to release (5).
12 Kentucky diet for the unhappy Greek moke? (4,5).
13 I entered an English home here in old Spain (7).
15 One who hates accepting manuscript, the little beast (7).
18 One earl created by English queen from 13 (7).
20 A city almost back in the forefront (7).
21 Record-holder to do a spiritualistic stunt? (9).
23 Old Indian rulers – who used writing fluid we hear? (5).
25 Rugby-style marriage (5).
26 Johnson's reason for defining "pastern" as "horse's knee" (9).
27 Boy's got some meat in this material (9).
28 He had a great deal to drink for example in Sparta (5).

DOWN
1 Stone needing medical treatment (Holmes's was blue) (9).
2 Trouble with gnats causing anxiety (5).
3 The 20 *ac* guards his fellow-countrymen (9).
4 Island stomach upset (subject to variation) (7).
5 Russian wife of Boaz in Cornwall (7).
6 All going thus to Widdicombe Fair? (5).
7 Not good for a stretch in 13 anyway (9).
8 Note dubious type of community spirit (5).
14 Plant is a money-maker headed by the male side ... (9).
16 ... this boss (on the other) creates one art form in a month (9).
17 Christopher, out West, on a trail that's enjoying a revival (9).
19 Difficulty over prelate being out of work? Nonsense! (7).
20 Energy needed to contain volcano in SE Asia (7).
21 Rough, we hear, but an excellent fellow (5).
22 Course for a singer (5).
24 Watercourse where water became wine on third of July (5).

**Solution of Puzzle No 16,888**



Prize Crossword in The Times tomorrow
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## Food prices

Marks & Spencer are now selling a range of low fat fruit yoghurts without any artificial colour, flavour, or preservatives. As these have been replaced by natural means but are said to maintain a high standard of taste and texture, keeping quality has not been affected. For the calorie conscious, there is a new range called 'Light' with just 40 calories per hundred grammes, achieved by replacing sugar with aspartame. All sell at 18p for 150 gramme pots.

Frost has affected supplies of celery in some areas and prices are up slightly to between 30p and 50p a head. Round lettuce is 15p–20p a head and British and imported icebergs 50–80p. Chinese leaves are a best buy at 20p–30p a lb. English spring onions 18–22p a bunch are a better buy than those from Cyprus and Italy at 25-35p. Raw English beetroot is good value at 15-20p a lb.

There is a good selection of home-grown vegetables with carrots 8p–14p a lb, and Primo cabbage 10-16p, cheaper than last week. Leeks 25–40p a lb, Brussels sprouts 20–28p, cauliflower 35-60p each, parsnips 16–25p, and Swedes 10–16p, are all good buys. Potatoes at 7–15p a lb, seem unaffected by the wet summer. Red potatoes, although they take longer to cook, have an excellent flavour and texture.

The first of the seedless clementines have arrived from Spain and are selling at 35-55p a lb. Satsumas look better value at 20-35p a lb.

There are no major changes in meat prices this week and as usual there are bargains on offer in most shops: Safeway whole fresh chicken (2lb 4ozs to 3lb 14ozs) 59p a lb and pork and beef sausages 59p a lb; Tesco fore-rib of beef on the bone £1.49 a lb, New Zealand shoulder of lamb 66p a lb; Finefare pork chops £1.28 a lb; Dewhurst braising steak and pure ground beef £1.49 a lb; Sainsbury New Zealand lamb, whole shoulder, 58p a lb, cutlets £1.10 a lb, and beef mince 82p; Bejam New Zealand lamb chump chops down 40p to 99p a lb, and braising steak £1.39. Marks and Spencer boned turkey roast £1.64 a lb

## Parliament today

Commons (9.30): Continuation of debate on the Queen's Speech (Foreign affairs and overseas development).

## Portfolio

**Portfolio – how to play**

Monday–Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

**How to claim**

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

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## The pound

| | Bank Buys | Bank Sells |
|---|---|---|
| Australia $ | 2.23 | 2.10 |
| Austria Sch | 27.05 | 25.65 |
| Belgium Fr | 77.95 | 74.15 |
| Canada $ | 2.03 | 1.94 |
| Denmark Kr | 13.91 | 13.21 |
| Finland Mkk | 8.27 | 7.87 |
| France Fr | 11.67 | 11.13 |
| Germany DM | 3.84 | 3.56 |
| Greece Dr | 280.0 | 250.0 |
| Hong Kong $ | 11.39 | 10.89 |
| Ireland Pt | 1.245 | 1.185 |
| Italy Lira | 2580.00 | 2460.00 |
| Japan Yen | 307.00 | 289.00 |
| Netherlands Gld | 4.31 | 4.11 |
| Norway Kr | 11.55 | 11.00 |
| Portugal Esc | 240.50 | 228.50 |
| South Africa Rd | 4.06 | 3.80 |
| Spain Pta | 235.50 | 223.50 |
| Sweden Kr | [illegible] | 11.00 |
| Switzerland Fr | [illegible] | 3.00 |
| USA $ | [illegible] | 1.415 |
| Yugoslavia Dnr | [illegible] | 520.00 |

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 376.5

London: The FT Index closed down 7.8 at 1073.5.

## Roads

**The Midlands: M6:** Contraflow E of Birmingham between junctions 5 (Castle Bromwich) and 4 (Coleshill); two lanes each way; N and southbound entry slip roads at junction 4 and 5 closed at various times. **M5:** Contraflow on southbound carriageway between junctions 2 (Oldbury) and 3 (Quinton); junction 2 entry slip road closed southbound. **A34:** Stratford to Shipston road at Alderminster; temporary signals.

**Wales and West: M4:** Westbound exit slip road closed junction 25 (Caerleon); various slip road closures, changing frequently. **M5:** Roadworks between junctions 25 and 26, Taunton to Wellington; only one lane southbound. **A30:** Reconstruction work between Okehampton and Launceston, at Lewdown.

**The North: M63/M62/M602** – Eccles Interchange: Lane restrictions N of Barton Bridge; no access from M63 northbound to M62 westbound. **A19:** Carriageway reconstruction work at Bentley, Doncaster single lane traffic; delays. **M18:** Lanes closed on northbound carriageway between junction (Rotherham) and junction 2 (A1M).

**Scotland: A68:** Roadworks reducing road to one lane with temporary signals (24 hours) one mile N of Earlston. **A709:** Resurfacing of the Dumfries Bridge at Lockerbie; road reduced to one lane; traffic signals will be used as required. **A96/B9016:** Keith to Buckie road is closed at Aberdeen; diversion is signed.

**Information supplied by the AA**

## Anniversaries

Births: **Edmond Halley**, astronomer, London, 1656; **Sir Arnold Bax**, composer, London, 1883.

Deaths: **John Milton**, London, 1674; **Thomas Bewick**, wood engraver, Gateshead, Durham, 1828; **César Franck**, Paris, 1890; **Francis Parkman**, historian, Jamaica Plains, Massachussets, 1893; **Victorian Sardou**, dramatist, Paris, 1908; **Ivan Bunin**, poet, Nobel Laureate 1933, Paris, 1953; **Edgar Varèse**, composer, New York, 1965.

## Top films

The top box-office films in London:
1 (-) The Emerald Forest
2 (1) Mad Max: Beyond Thunderdome
3 (2) Prizzi's Honour
4 (-) Weird Science
5 (4) Desperately Seeking Susan
6 (-) Mishuma
7 (-) St Elmo's Fire
8 (3) The Black Cauldron
9 (8) Life Force
10 (7) Pale Rider

The top films in the provinces:
1 Peter Pan
2 Mad Max: Beyond Thunderdome
3 A Nightmare on Elm Street
4 Cocoon
5 Desperately Seeking Susan

Supplied by *Screen International*

## Top video rentals

1 (1) The Killing Fields
2 (2) City Heat
3 (3) Morons form Outer Space
4 (8) The Woman in Red
5 (4) Ghoulies
6 (6) Caravan of Courage: An Ewok Adventure
7 (10) Loose Screws: Screwballs II
8 (7) The Karate Kid
9 (5) 2010: The Year We Make Contact
10 (9) Wild Geese II

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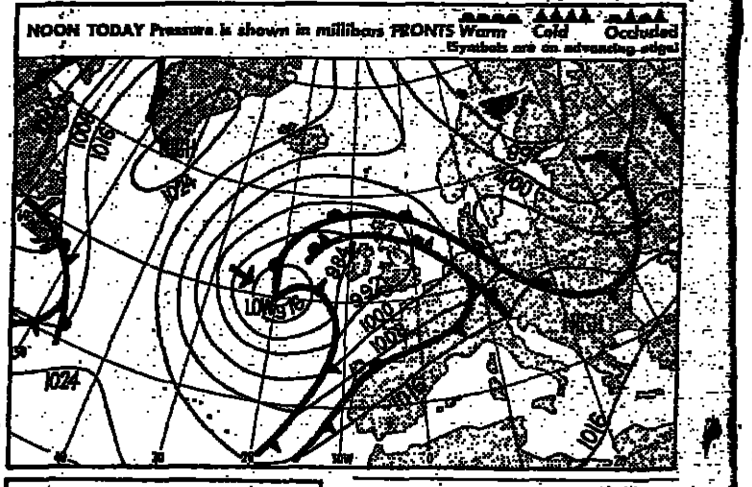
# Weather forecast

**A complex area of low pressure will move towards the British Isles with frontal troughs crossing NE over the United Kingdom.**



NOON TODAY Pressure is shown in millibars FRONTS Warm Cold Occluded
Symbols are on advancing edge
1024
1016
1008
1000
992
984
976

### 6am to midnight

**London, SE, central N England, E Midlands:** Bright or sunny intervals and isolated showers; wind SW moderate or fresh; max temp 14C (57F).

**Central S, SW, NW England, W Midlands, Channel Islands, Wales:** Bright or sunny intervals and isolated showers, becoming cloudy with rain later; wind SW moderate or fresh; max temp 14C (57F).

**East Anglia, E, NE England:** Rain at first, bright or sunny intervals developing with perhaps an isolated shower; wind SE fresh or strong becoming SW: max temp 13C (55F).

**Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland:** Rain at first, bright or sunny intervals developing with perhaps an isolated shower, becoming cloudy with rain later; wind SE strong perhaps locally gale force, becoming SW moderate or fresh; max temp 13C (55F).

**Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, NW Scotland:** Cloudy with rain at times; wind SE strong locally gale forces at first; max temp 11C (52F).

**NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:** Sunny intervals and scattered showers at first becoming cloudy with rain; wind SE light increasing strong locally gale force later; max temp 10C (50F).

**Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday:** Unsettled, temperatures rather above normal, becoming rather cold with night frost later.

**SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover:** Wind SE veering SW strong, rain then showers; visibility moderate or poor becoming good; sea state rough. **English Channel (E), St George's Channel:** Wind SW strong to gale force; showers; visibility good; sea state rough or very rough. **Irish Sea:** Wind SE veering SW strong to gale force becoming fresh; showers; visibility moderate becoming good; sea state very rough becoming moderate.

Sun rises: 7.06 am
Sun sets: 4.22 pm
Moon rises: 1.02 am
Moon sets: 2.59 pm
New Moon: November 12.

## Lighting-up time

London 4.52 pm to 6.38 am
Bristol 5.02 pm to 6.48 am
Edinburgh 4.48 pm to 7.06 am
Manchester 4.54 pm to 6.53 am
Penzance 5.18 pm to 6.55 am

## Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

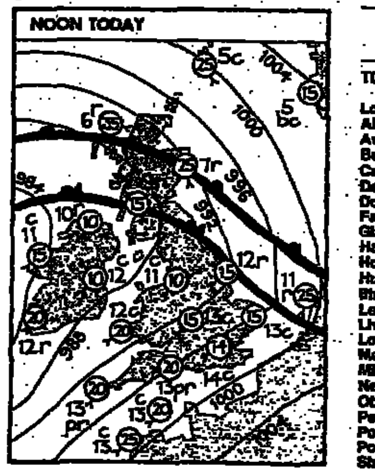
| | | C | F | | | C | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belfast | f | 7 | 45 | Guernsey | c | 11 | 52 |
| Birmingham | s | 11 | 52 | Inverness | s | 7 | 45 |
| Blackpool | s | 11 | 52 | Jersey | c | 13 | 56 |
| Bristol | f | 12 | 54 | London | s | 13 | 55 |
| Cardiff | c | 12 | 54 | Manchester | s | 11 | 52 |
| Edinburgh | s | 9 | 48 | Newcastle | s | 9 | 48 |
| Glasgow | f | 8 | 46 | Ronaldsway | f | 10 | 50 |

## London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 15C (59F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 9C (48F). Humidity: 6 pm, 69 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm 6.4hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,007.4 millibars, rising.

## Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: London Weather Centre, 15C (59F); lowest day max: Lerwick, 6C (43F); highest rainfall: Keswick, 0.51in; highest sunshine: Folkestone 7.5 hr.



b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures centigrade.

## High tides

TODAY

| | AM | HT | PM | HT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| London Bridge | 9.15 | 5.5 | 10.10 | 6.0 |
| Aberdeen | 9.42 | 3.8 | 9.48 | 3.7 |
| Avonmouth | 2.27 | 9.8 | 3.03 | 10.8 |
| Belfast | 7.09 | 2.8 | 7.21 | 3.3 |
| Cardiff | 2.12 | 9.2 | 2.48 | 9.9 |
| Devonport | 12.55 | 4.4 | 1.21 | 4.8 |
| Dover | 6.59 | 5.5 | 7.33 | 6.5 |
| Falmouth | 12.25 | 4.2 | 12.51 | 4.8 |
| Glasgow | 9.03 | 4.1 | 8.44 | 4.5 |
| Harwich | 7.19 | 3.4 | 8.11 | 3.7 |
| Holyhead | 6.35 | 4.6 | 6.49 | 4.9 |
| Hull | 1.47 | 5.7 | 2.44 | 6.1 |
| Ilfracombe | 1.47 | 7.9 | 2.15 | 7.5 |
| Leith | 10.49 | 4.6 | 11.06 | 4.8 |
| Liverpool | 7.13 | 7.6 | 7.34 | 8.8 |
| Lowestoft | 4.26 | 2.1 | 6.11 | 2.2 |
| Margate | 7.42 | 4.0 | 8.29 | 4.2 |
| Milford Haven | 2.05 | 5.8 | 2.30 | 5.7 |
| Newquay | 1.04 | 5.4 | 1.29 | 5.8 |
| Oban | 2.27 | 3.1 | 2.31 | 3.4 |
| Penzance | 12.11 | 4.4 | 12.38 | 4.8 |
| Portland | 2.42 | 1.6 | 2.40 | 1.8 |
| Portsmouth | 7.20 | 4.0 | 7.41 | 4.0 |
| Shoreham | 7.03 | 5.2 | 7.33 | 5.2 |
| Southampton | 7.13 | 5.2 | 7.33 | 5.2 |
| Swansea | 2.01 | 7.5 | 2.28 | 7.8 |
| Tees | | | 12.08 | 4.5 |
| Walton-on-Naze | 7.23 | 3.4 | 8.12 | 3.6 |

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

## Around Britain

| | Sun hr | Rain in | Max C | F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **EAST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scarboro | 7.2 | | 11 | 52 | sunny |
| Bridlington | 6.1 | | 11 | 52 | sunny |
| Cromer | 5.6 | | 11 | 52 | sunny |
| Lowestoft | 6.7 | | 12 | 54 | sunny |
| Clacton | 6.3 | | 13 | 55 | sunny |
| Margate | | | | | |
| **SOUTH COAST** | | | | | |
| Folkestone | 7.5 | | 15 | 59 | sunny |
| Hastings | 7.2 | .04 | 14 | 57 | sunny |
| Eastbourne | 5.8 | .01 | 13 | 55 | sunny |
| Brighton | 4.1 | .01 | 12 | 54 | bright |
| Worthing | 4.7 | .01 | 14 | 57 | bright |
| Littlehmptn | 3.3 | | 14 | 57 | cloudy |
| Bognor R | 3.9 | | 14 | 57 | bright am |
| Southsea | 2.8 | | 13 | 55 | cloudy |
| Sandown | 4.5 | | 14 | 57 | bright |
| Shanklin | 5.3 | .05 | 14 | 57 | cloudy am |
| Bournemth | 3.5 | .02 | 13 | 55 | bright |
| Poole | 2.4 | | 13 | 55 | cloudy |
| Swanage | 3.2 | .01 | 14 | 57 | bright |
| Weymouth | 4.4 | | 12 | 54 | sunny am |
| Exmouth | 3.4 | | 13 | 55 | sunny am |
| Teignmouth | 3.8 | | 14 | 57 | sunny am |
| Torquay | 3.8 | | 15 | 59 | sunny am |
| Falmouth | 3.9 | .02 | 14 | 57 | bright |
| Penzance | 2.8 | .05 | 14 | 57 | bright |
| Jersey | 1.3 | .06 | 14 | 57 | cloudy |
| Guernsey | 0.6 | .06 | 15 | 59 | cloudy |
| **WEST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scilly Isles | 1.9 | | 14 | 57 | rain pm |
| Newquay | 2.1 | .05 | 14 | 57 | cloudy |
| Ilfracombe | | .11 | 13 | 55 | showers |
| Tenby | | | | | |
| Colwyn Bay | 4.7 | .07 | 12 | 54 | sunny am |
| Southport | | | | | |
| Morecambe | 5.4 | .12 | 10 | 50 | bright |
| Douglas | 6.2 | .04 | 11 | 52 | sunny |
| **ENGLAND AND WALES** | | | | | |
| London (Ctrl) | 6.4 | | 15 | 59 | sunny |
| B'ham (Airpt) | 4.9 | | 13 | 55 | shower am |
| Bristol (Ctrl) | | | | | |
| Cardiff (Ctrl) | 3.8 | .21 | 13 | 55 | showers pm |
| Anglesey | 6.1 | .02 | 12 | 54 | sunny |
| B'pool (Airpt) | 6.9 | | 11 | 52 | sunny |
| Manchester | 5.3 | .10 | 11 | 52 | sunny |
| Nottingham | 5.6 | | 12 | 54 | sunny |
| N'cstl-o-Tyne | 5.9 | | 10 | 50 | bright |
| Carlisle | 3.8 | .09 | 9 | 48 | bright |
| **SCOTLAND** | | | | | |
| Eskdalemuir | 3.7 | .22 | 8 | 46 | shower am |
| Prestwick | 2.9 | .13 | 8 | 46 | sunny am |
| Glasgow | 3.1 | .08 | 9 | 48 | showers |
| Tiree | 2.1 | .08 | 10 | 50 | hail am |
| Stornoway | 5.2 | .10 | 8 | 46 | sunny |
| Lerwick | 4.7 | .01 | 6 | 43 | showers |
| Wick | 5.8 | .09 | 7 | 45 | sunny |
| Kinloss | 5.0 | .25 | 7 | 45 | showers |
| Aberdeen | 5.4 | .02 | 7 | 45 | sunny |
| St Andrews | | | | | |
| Edinburgh | 5.2 | .02 | 9 | 48 | bright |
| **NORTHERN IRELAND** | | | | | |
| Belfast | 3.9 | .01 | 10 | 50 | bright |

## Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

| | | C | F | | | C | F | | | C | F | | | C | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ajaccio | s | 19 | 66 | Cologne | c | 9 | 48 | Majorca | f | 22 | 72 | Rome | f | 20 | 68 |
| Akrotiri | f | 23 | 73 | Copenhgn | s | 7 | 45 | Malaga | s | 26 | 79 | Salzburg | s | 10 | 50 |
| Alexandria | c | 26 | 79 | Corfu | s | 20 | 68 | Malta | f | 18 | 64 | Sao Paulo* | f | 21 | 70 |
| Algiers | s | 26 | 79 | Dublin | c | 10 | 50 | Melbourne* | c | 18 | 64 | S Francisco* | s | 17 | 63 |
| Amsterdam | f | 11 | 52 | Dubrovnik | s | 16 | 61 | Mexico C* | s | 19 | 66 | Santiago* | s | 31 | 88 |
| Athens | f | 20 | 68 | Faro | c | 19 | 66 | Miami* | s | 23 | 73 | Seoul | f | 19 | 66 |
| Bahrain | s | 27 | 81 | Florence | s | 19 | 66 | Milan | s | 15 | 59 | Singapore | f | 27 | 81 |
| Barbados* | s | 29 | 84 | Frankfurt | c | 8 | 46 | Montreal* | c | 8 | 46 | Stockholm | s | 5 | 41 |
| Barcelona | f | 17 | 63 | Funchal | s | 24 | 75 | Moscow | c | 6 | 43 | Strasbourg | c | 11 | 52 |
| Beirut | | | | Geneva | s | 9 | 48 | Munich | f | 7 | 45 | Sydney* | c | 26 | 79 |
| Belgrade | s | 10 | 50 | Gibraltar | s | 27 | 81 | Nairobi | p | 23 | 73 | Tangier | s | 23 | 73 |
| Berlin | c | 7 | 45 | Helsinki | r | 6 | 43 | Naples | s | 19 | 66 | Tel Aviv | s | 28 | 82 |
| Bermuda* | f | 25 | 77 | Hong Kong | c | 25 | 77 | New Delhi | s | 28 | 82 | Tenerife | | | |
| Biarritz | c | 17 | 63 | Innsbruck | s | 7 | 45 | New York | d | 12 | 54 | Tokyo | c | 18 | 64 |
| Boulogne | f | 12 | 54 | Istanbul | r | 10 | 50 | Nice | s | 19 | 66 | Toronto* | c | 6 | 43 |
| Bordeaux | f | 15 | 59 | Jeddah | f | 30 | 86 | Oslo | s | 4 | 39 | Tunis | f | 19 | 66 |
| Brussels | c | 11 | 52 | Jo'burg* | s | 28 | 82 | Paris | f | 11 | 52 | Valencia | f | 24 | 75 |
| Budapest | s | 9 | 48 | Karachi | s | 28 | 82 | Peking | c | 8 | 46 | Vancouver* | r | 7 | 45 |
| Buen Aires* | s | 30 | 86 | Las Palmas | s | 25 | 77 | Perth | c | 21 | 70 | Venice | s | 13 | 55 |
| Cairo | s | 29 | 84 | Lisbon | c | 21 | 70 | Prague | f | 6 | 43 | Vienna | s | 10 | 50 |
| Cape Tn | s | 16 | 61 | Locarno | s | 11 | 52 | Reykjvik | c | -4 | 25 | Warsaw | s | 7 | 45 |
| C'blanca | s | 25 | 77 | L Angeles* | s | 19 | 66 | Rhodes | f | 21 | 70 | Washington* | c | 15 | 59 |
| Chicago* | c | 11 | 52 | Luxembg | r | 6 | 43 | Riyadh | f | 26 | 79 | Wellington* | s | 12 | 54 |
| Ch'church* | f | 15 | 59 | Madrid | f | 20 | 68 | Rio de Jan | s | 22 | 72 | Zurich | f | 9 | 48 |

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